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6,000 AT PHILADELPHIA MEETING DENOUNCE RULING ON BROWDER

Browder Will Speak Here Monday at Three Big City-wide Protest Rallies

U.S. Is 'In War'— Now, Jones Says Before House

'Opposition Bloc Against War Bill in House Shows Sham Stand'

By Adam Lapin
(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 18.—Following is an excerpt from the speech of William Z. Foster at a Lenin Memorial Meeting here last night at which 6,000 persons unanimously adopted a resolution condemning the Supreme Court decision upholding the conviction and sentence of Earl Browder.

"We're in the war," Jones declared. "At least we're nearly in the war; we're preparing for it. When you do that, you've got to throw money away."

Jones, who was testifying before the House Committee in connection with a proposed new grant of \$100,000,000 to the Federal Housing Administration to insure "victims" housing mortgages, then got a little worked about his frank statement, and asked that it be stricken from the record.

President Roosevelt tried to laugh off the Jones statement at his afternoon press conference as just words that didn't mean anything.

But the revealing admission by the Secretary of Commerce who is also Federal Loan Administrator indicates the background against which the debate in the Senate on the President's war powers bill is proceeding.

The Jones statement lent weight to the charge of Senator Bennett Champ Clark of Missouri on the Senate floor:

"This is not a defense bill at all. This is a war bill." At the same press conference at which he tried to wave away Jones' indiscreet admission, the President himself made it plain that the administration is already proceeding as if the lend-lease measure had been passed by Congress.

The President indicates that all preparations are being made to get

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"Let me raise my voice with yours in indignant protest against the decision of the Supreme Court today sentencing Comrade Earl Browder and William Wiener to long terms in the penitentiary. They are being railroaded to jail because of their unrelenting opposition to this imperialist war; the passport charge is only a pretext."

"This decision is one of the rankest examples of class justice in American history, and takes its place alongside the infamous Dred Scott decision. The action of the Supreme Court was prompted by a capitalist class frightened at the breakdown of its social system and panic at the growth of anti-capitalist forces throughout the world."

"They sent Browder to jail for opposing the world war, and the American people, in overwhelming majority, have long since justified the anti-war stand by concluding that America's entry into this imperialist slaughter was a tragic mistake. They will justify his opposition against this war, too. In fact they have already done so by their resolute stand not to go into the war."

"The best way we can respond to the reactionary decision of the Supreme Court is to have the trade unions and other organizations protest to President Roosevelt. We must continue and intensify our struggle against the war. We must support the fight of the Communist Party. Demand the release of Browder and Wiener."



WILLIAM Z. FOSTER

Supreme Court Decision Compared by Speakers to Dred Scott Case

FOSTER SPEAKS

Audience Pledges Mass Fight to Win Release of Communist Head

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 18.—Six thousand Philadelphians meeting here last night at the Market Street Arena, raised their voices in a mighty protest against the Supreme Court decision to imprison America's leading anti-war fighter, Earl Browder to a brutal four-year prison term. The occasion was a mass meeting honoring the memory of Lenin, Lincoln and Douglas.

The Browder decision was characterized by both principal speakers, William Z. Foster, national chairman of the Communist Party, and Phil Frankfield, secretary of the Communist Party of Eastern Penn-

TEXT OF LETTER TO ROOSEVELT

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 18.—The following letter was sent to President Roosevelt today:

"Hon. Franklin D. Roosevelt, President of the United States, Washington, D. C.

"Dear Sir:

"In the name of 6,000 citizens of Philadelphia, gathered at a mass meeting in the Market Street Arena on Monday evening, February 17th, the meeting went on record unanimously protesting the outrageous sentence meted out to Mr. Earl Browder, in the upholding of Mr. Browder's conviction by the United States Supreme Court."

"The meeting went on record, also, as unanimously urging the immediate release of Mr. Earl Browder."

"Respectfully yours,

"Carl Reeve, Legislative Chairman of the Communist Party of Pennsylvania, Chairman of the Meeting."

sylvania, as "a modern Dred Scott decision."

Despite a storm that struck this town yesterday a large inspired crowd of Irish, Negro and Italian people made their protest against war felt. Nine thousand tickets had been sold up to the opening of the hall.

Foster received a thunderous ovation when he rose to speak.

DRAWN PARALLEL

Frankfield declared in an inspiring speech that "Taney's reactionary Supreme Court of 1857 upheld the vile institution of human slavery. Roosevelt's reactionary Supreme Court of 1941 upholds the brutal institution of capitalist wage slavery and capitalist war."

Foster devoted the first part of his speech to a comparison of the institutions of American democracy with the institutions of Soviet democracy. He showed that the overwhelming number of Representatives and Senators in the United States Congress are lawyers or other lackeys of the capitalist class. A storm of applause by the audience greeted Foster's analysis of the enormous number of workers, farmers and women who represent the Soviet people in their law-making bodies.

ANALYZES WAR AIMS

The second part of Foster's speech was typical—biting, sharp and crystal clear. The National Chairman of the Communist Party evaluated the war aims of British and Nazi imperialism. He showed the policy of Great Britain as one inimical to the interests of the English people; he spoke against any aid to Great Britain, Nazi Germany or any foreign imperialism.

"Their war aims are clear," Foster declared, "the English government stands ready to betray the

'Free Browder' Drive Under Way Here, Rally Dates Set

Seamen at Sea Radio Vow To Fight High Court Ruling

From all corners of the country messages came to Earl Browder yesterday. But one came by radio from a ship at sea when seamen heard radio reports of the Supreme Court action. It said:

Radio via RCA from SS Charles McCormick at Sea (Received in Tuckerton, N. J.)

Earl Browder:

American People will yet reverse rotten court decision. Warmest greetings.

SEAMEN
SS Charles McCormick

(More messages on Page 5.)

Foster, Ford, Minor to Speak with Browder, Leaflets Out

Throwing its full forces into the "Free Browder" drive, the New York State Committee of the Communist Party last night announced three mass rallies for Monday night at each of which Earl Browder will speak.

The meetings will be held at Mecca Temple, 65th St., between 8th and 9th Aves.; at the Capital Hotel, 8th Ave. and 51st St.; and at Central Opera House, 47th St. and Third Ave. All will begin at 8 P.M.

Speaking with him at all three of the meetings will be William Z. Foster; James W. Ford, Browder's running mate in the 1940 presidential campaign; Robert Minor, member of the National Committee of the Communist Party; Israel Amter, the Party's state chairman, and Louis F. Budenz, member of the Daily Worker editorial board.

Meanwhile thousands of leaflets are already appearing on the streets charging that "the Roosevelt Administration wants Browder in jail because he is the outstanding fighter against the imperialist war."

The leaflets also call upon the public to demand a presidential pardon for Browder, declaring that determined popular protests can force the President to act.

From other cities over the nation word was being received of protest meetings planned in the near future. First of them to report were:

Cleveland

CLEVELAND: Sunday, March 2 at 7:30 P. M. in the Ball Room of the Public Auditorium. Speakers will include Robert Minor and Arnold Johnson, Ohio Communist Party secretary.

Akron

AKRON: Sigmund Wenger, local Communist leader, will speak over radio station WJW on Feb. 19 at 8:45 P. M.

Chicago

CHICAGO: Thursday, Feb. 27, at a place to be announced; Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, secretary of the Committee to Defend Civil Rights of Communists, will be the main speaker.

25,000 British Civilians Killed Since Start of War

LONDON, Feb. 18 (UP).—An announcement revealed today that nearly 25,000 British civilians had been killed by German air attacks up to Jan. 31.

Liverpool Blast Kills 3

LONDON, Feb. 18.—Two men and one woman were killed and 30 persons were injured today by an explosion in a Liverpool warehouse.

Report Nazi 'Pressure' Is Put on Greece

But Berlin Denies It Seeks to Force Armistice

ZURICH, Feb. 18 (UP).—According to the "Isolation" of Turkey Adolf Hitler tonight was reported ready to demand that Greece submit to an armistice with Italy to drive the British from their Balkan foothold.

The British, having suffered a severe diplomatic setback in the new Turkish-Bulgarian declaration of non-aggression, issued a blunt warning of war to Bulgaria across whose territory Hitler's Balkan army would push to enforce the demands on Greece.

In Berlin it was denied that demands "of any character" had been served upon the hard-battling Greeks but diplomatic circles elsewhere believed they would be forthcoming and that the Greeks, faced with an open threat of German invasion, would be powerless to resist an ultimatum.

The value of Britain's Mediterranean mutual aid pact with Turkey undoubtedly will become "questionable," the Germans said, now that Turkey has indicated strongly that she will not oppose any German military occupation of Bulgaria.

BERLIN DENIES
'DEMANDS' ON GREECE

BERLIN, Feb. 18 (UP).—German sources insisted tonight that Germany has not followed up the British ultimatum.

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Report CIO Rejects War Labor Board

Administration Scheme Would Give Government a Club to Break Strikes; AFL President Green Endorses Proposal

By Adam Lapin
(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 18.—CIO opposition is slowing up an administration drive for the setting up of a War Labor Board with far-reaching powers to crack down on strikes.

President Roosevelt is understood to have had a direct hand in drafting this plan which was submitted last week on behalf of the President to leaders of the CIO and the AFL by Sidney Hillman, associate director of the Office of Production Management.

AFL chiefs are reported to have given secret approval to the Roosevelt-Hillman scheme at the Miami meeting of their executive council.

The public statement by AFL president William Green endorsing in general terms a plan for a War Labor Board was seen here as a "trial balloon" designed to test public sentiment on the administration's latest anti-labor scheme.

REJECT PLAN

Despite the CIO leaders to the War Labor Board proposal as expressed at the meeting last week of the eight CIO executive officers who, however, considerably less cordial to the War Labor Board proposal.

After considerable discussion, the CIO officers were reported to have rejected the plan and to have turned down any suggestion that they lend their endorsement to the establishment of a War Labor Board.

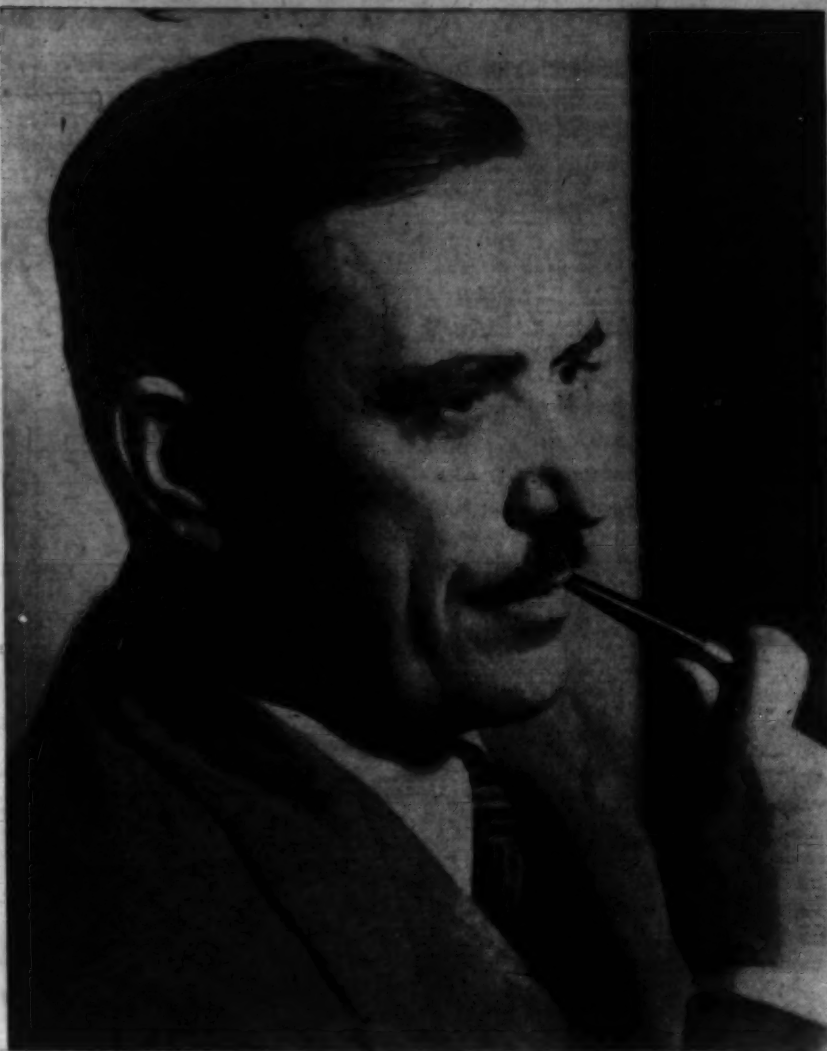
Present at this important meeting were president Philip Murray of the CIO, secretary James B. Carey and the six CIO vice-presidents.

Officers who spoke in favor of

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Weather

LOCAL—Partly cloudy and continued cold; average temperature about 18; fresh northwest to west winds.



EARL BROWDER

THE AMERICAN PEOPLE REMEMBER... AN EDITORIAL

FROM coast to coast expressions of protest have poured in, even at this early hour against the Supreme Court "conviction" of Earl Browder.

Coming from every city of any size, these have likewise been expressions of admiration and love for Browder and the services he has rendered the working class and the cause of peace.

These wires ring with the indignation of people whose sense of American justice has been outraged. In paying this heartfelt tribute to Browder, they voice their scorn at all forces of reaction who have sought to silence him. Those agencies of war and hatred want to make Browder an object of hatred and contumely.

They cannot succeed. Has any American leader won the respect and admiration of decent Americans in recent years as has Earl Browder? Is there any man who is more recognized among the workers as the wholehearted champion of justice for the masses and of peace?

How ridiculous are the declarations of the editorial writers of the monopolists' press that Browder is being sent to jail for four years for a passport "crime" and not because of the position which he took on peace and for the working people! The unheard of severity of the sentence proves the falsity of such assertions. They are of the same kind as have been heard over and over again in every frame-up case:

The expressions of protest which have flooded the wires, and which attest to the affectionate place that Browder holds in the minds and hearts of the American working people, will grow in volume. No matter how much the monopolists' press seeks to prevent this protest from expanding and thundering through the country by belittling it, this movement will not be checked. No matter how much that press attempts to snuff out discussion of the Browder case by proclaiming that "a just decision" has been rendered and that Communists "desire immunity from the laws," this insistence of the workers will become louder and louder.

Why is this? Because the release of Tom Mooney is too fresh in the memory of the American people for them to forget that the same press told the same stories about the framed-up Mooney. They cannot forget, either, that when Eugene Victor Debs was hounded to jail, this same press said the aims of law and order had been served.

THE AMERICAN working people know, from the unjust conviction of these two men, that the real reason why they were sent to jail was their opposition to war, their defense of their class and their real Americanism.

So it is with Browder. From such experiences—the Mooney, Debs and Ruthenberg imprisonments—the people will now understand more clearly that Earl Browder is being "convicted" because he voiced the desire of the people for peace.

That people's movement which opened the jail doors for Mooney and which rang out its protest against the imprisonment of Debs will also free Browder. It will also free Wiener. Make such protests known far and wide.

Browder is threatened with jail because he fought the good fight for the working class and for peace. The working class and the champions of peace can win his freedom.

New York Unions Swing Into Action To Preserve Peace

CIO and AFL Locals Set Up Active Peace Committees to Protest Dictatorship Bill and Keep Out of War; Women Unionists, Youth Among Most Active

By Beth McHenry

New York City's trade unions have begun to answer with emphasis the despairing cry of "But how can we fight against war and dictatorship?"

Local after local, both CIO and AFL, have set up peace committees, joined up with the American Peace Mobilization, begun to educate their members and the families and friends of their membership to the realization that war is not inevitable, that it can be stopped, and that it is the job of workers in trade unions to give the necessary leadership to the American people to save America from destruction.

Responding to the example set by the Greater New York Industrial Union Council, many CIO locals which had previously set up peace committees, have accomplished this necessary step during the past few weeks. Some unions, such as the National Maritime Union and Local 65 of the United Wholesale and Warehousemen, CIO, had already been in the front ranks of the fight for peace. But now other unions, big and little, have begun to take peace work seriously.

Local 45-B, United Furniture Workers of America, CIO, for example, has now a rapid growing, eight weeks' old peace committee. Heading the leadership of this committee, numbers of the union's 1,000 membership have found the "Washington trail," joining the delegations organized by the American Peace Mobilization.

WOMEN ACTIVE

El Ruderman, a worker from a shop is the chairman of Local 45-B's peace committee. Its main activity during the recent weeks has been to concentrate upon the campaign against the War-Dictatorship Bill, H. R. 1776. Fifty per cent of Local 45-B's membership are women, a fact which, Mr. Ruderman emphasizes, is extremely significant in the fight for peace.

"Women somehow take this peace work more seriously than anyone else," he observed. "They seem to be most conscious of the horrors of war and eager to fight for the lives of their husbands and brothers and sons."

Local 45-B is now deep in plans for participation in the nationwide April 6th demonstration for peace, to take place in New York City. This local works closely with APM, its manager, Paul Green, being an active member of the Executive Board of the peace organization.

From Local 45-B, the Daily Worker looked in on an AFL union, Local 623, the Amalgamated Meat Cutters of New York. Here too we found a new but active peace committee, headed by Pat Clancy, an outstanding leader of the union.

The peace committee of Local 623 followed the action of the local executive which went on record recently against the War-Dictatorship Bill, H. R. 1776 and urged its membership to fight for peace.

MEETS WEEKLY

Local 623's peace committee meets once every week and transmits its suggestions and decisions to the union's 1,000 members in the six neighborhood sections which comprise the local.

While the ordinary union channels, that is the membership meetings and the regular union publications, are used for peace work in Local 623, the Peace Committee also issues a special monthly bulletin whose main emphasis at the present moment has been the campaign against H. R. 1776. The Peace Committee has also distributed some 300 APM "peace kits," folders of information on the fight for peace, and sent delegates to the Washington Peace Conference.

Rescue Ship Sends Wires To British Laborites

Urges Aid in Stalemate Over Permit to Send for Spain Refugees

A cablegram was sent today to the Rt. Hon. Clement R. Attlee, Lord Privy Seal and member of the Churchill Cabinet, by Dr. Edward K. Barsky, chairman of the United American Spanish Aid Committee, 425 Fourth Avenue, urging the issuance of at least a limited sailing warrant to the mercy ship *Lovén* and thereby permit it to depart on its initial scheduled voyage to French Morocco to transport 450 Spanish refugees to Mexico.

Cables have also been sent to other leading figures requesting their assistance in securing the necessary warrant for this humanitarian project, the Mission said. Among them are Eleanor Rathbone, M.P., former vice-chairman of the National Joint Committee for Spanish Relief, which was headed by the Duchess of Atholl; Lord Farquhar, Labor member of the House of Lords, who, as chairman of the British Medical Units for Spain, personally donated a Rolls Royce ambulance to the Spanish Republic. Replies have been received from both stating they are working on the matter.

Ellen Wilkinson, former M.P. who now is a member of the House of Commons, Josiah Wedgwood, M.P., and Sir Walter and Lady Layton, owner of the London News Chronicle, have also been sent cables.

The committee announced that Dr. Juan Negrin, former head of the Spanish Republic, is still seeking to persuade the British Ministry of Shipping to issue the warrant. The delegations from New York visited the British Embassy today, the committee said. One delegation consisted of ministers, headed by the Rev. Ver Lynn Sprague, chairman of the committee's church division. The other was composed of members of the Spanish Women's Committee, an affiliate of the ship mission. A public entertainment and rally will be held Thursday evening, Feb. 20, at Manhattan Center, 34th St. and Eighth Ave., at 8:30, where the work of the committee will be discussed. Margo, star of "Tangard Street," will head the notable group of artists who will perform. Admission is fifty cents.

Zimmer to Speak at ALP Meeting Here

Progressives to Organize Bronx People's Peace Movement

Bronx borough-wide sentiment for political action around a people's peace program independent of the war-minded old parties is being organized by the Progressive Committee to Rebuild the American Labor Party through the Bronx County Legislative Conference, scheduled for Sunday, March 2, at Herman Hilder Junior High School, 172nd St. and Boston Road.

Several hundred copies of a call to participate in the all-day conference have been sent to church, fraternal, youth, civic and other organizations and trade unions. Myron L. Shapiro, executive secretary of the Bronx ALP group, said the working conference will end with a mass meeting in the auditorium of the school in the evening. Eugene Zimmer, only American Labor Party State Assemblyman, and President Charles Hendley of the Teachers' Union will be featured speakers.



200 of These for the Navy: The Navy has announced award of a contract for \$3,240,000 to purchase approximately 200 troop-carrying seagoing tanks, similar to the one pictured above. The contract was awarded to Donald Roebeling, of Clearwater, Fla., builder of the tank.

Fear 12 Dead In Bombed London Shelter

Rescuers Cut Through Debris to Save Many Wounded

LONDON, Feb. 18 (UP).—At least 12 persons were feared dead today in the ruins of a London public shelter on which a German airplane bomb crashed during the night.

Rescue squads had nearly finished rescuing wounded from the shelter this morning when a time bomb exploded nearby and buried two more persons in a shop basement.

[The London "Daily Worker," which the Churchill-Bevin Government suppressed a month ago, opposed the Government's negligence in failing to provide proper air raid protection for the people. The paper was called "Fifth Columnist" for pointing out and protesting against the mounting number of casualties among people who took refuge in the Government shelters.]

[The "Daily Worker" urged the building of deep, safe air raid shelters of the Haldane type.] Germans dropped a number of explosive bombs on London during the night. One killed at least six persons in wrecked homes in one London area and another crashed on the big shelter and buried two more persons among those inside.

Rescuers found the entrance blocked, and dug through debris to reach those trapped. Surgeons administered morphine to those more seriously wounded.

"Everywhere people were groaning as they tried to move," a shelter attendant said.

Rescue operations at the bombed shelter continued into the afternoon and several bodies were recovered. Two nurses were believed among the missing.

New Draft in Italy Will Include University Men

ROME, Feb. 18 (UP).—Announcing that the second group of the army class of 1921 would be called up Feb. 27 and 28, the Ministry of War made it known today that university students would no longer be given a postponement of service until they had concluded their studies.

The first group of the 1921 class, youths who reach their 20th year during 1941, was called to the colors in January.

The entire class is estimated to number about 300,000.

Rome Admits Port Loss in Somaliland

Claims Greeks in Albania Lost Heavily in Attack Yesterday

ROME, Feb. 18 (UP).—Italy admitted the loss of Chisimaio, port of southern Italian Somaliland, today but the High Command communique said fighting in the Chisimaio sector continued. Before evacuating the port, the communique continued, the Italians "completely obstructed" it.

British planes dropped explosive and incendiary bombs on Italy's Dodecanese Islands off the Turkish coast, the communique said.

German planes, it was asserted, bombed rear lines and transport bases of the British army in Libya. On the Albanian front, according to the communique, fighting continued throughout yesterday and the Greeks suffered heavy losses without moving the Italian lines. It was admitted that Italian losses, on the 11th army front, were also considerable.

LONDON REPORTS SINKING OF SHIPS

LONDON, Feb. 18 (UP).—A German merchant ship being used as a supply vessel by the Italians was sunk and three Italian ships, including an auxiliary warship, were damaged by a British air attack on shipping in the central Mediterranean, the Admiralty announced today.

Admiralty officials said this brought enemy shipping losses since Jan. 7 to 257,000 tons, and since the war began to more than 2,000,000 tons.

The announcement coincided with the Admiralty's regular weekly statement on British and Allied shipping losses, which for the week ended at midnight Feb. 9 took a sharp drop from the preceding week and were less than half the weekly average for the war.

British and Allied losses for the week under review totaled 13 ships aggregating 29,806 tons, the Admiralty said. During this period, the Admiralty said, the Germans claimed to have sunk 102,500 tons of shipping and the Italians 5,200 tons.

Canadians Warned

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 18 (UP).—The Canadian legation at Tokyo has "advised" Canadians in the Peiping area of China that it would be "prudent" for them to leave, it was learned here today.

Brutal Slaughter of 10,000 Of Chinese Fourth Army Gov't Troops Is Revealed

Eye-Witness Accounts State Chungking Troops Wantonly Attacked Women, Nurses, Children After Bulk of 'Fourth' Had Moved On

(By International News)

HONGKONG (By Mail).—As more information comes to light, the recent attack by Central Government troops on the people of the New Fourth Army, "explained" by the National Government as "disciplinary action," is revealed as a brutal and murderous massacre of a small body of people, the majority of whom were wounded soldiers, women and children by overwhelming numbers of well-armed Government troops.

On Jan. 15, General Ku Cho-tung, Commander of the Third War Zone, declared that the reason for the disbandment of the New Fourth Army was that the Army had disobeyed an order to move northward and had attacked Central Government troops.

The facts of the case, well authenticated by neutral observers are as follows:

Before January first, more than nine-tenths of the New Fourth Army—more than 100,000 troops, had already crossed the Yangtze. Left in the south were less than 10,000 people, most of whom were non-soldiers. These, while in the midst of their preparations to move northward, were suddenly attacked and massacred by Central Government troops.

Those who were besieged and massacred were in Mowling, southern Anhwei, and consisted of about 4,000 soldiers attached to the Army headquarters, and more than 5,000 cadets, nurses, wounded soldiers and hospital staff. These were overwhelmed by Central Government troops. Commander Yeh Ting was seriously wounded and is now a prisoner, and Deputy Commander Hong Ying was also seriously wounded and afterwards killed.

Reports of the battle relate how nurses and children, besieged in that area of about ten square miles, had to take up rifles in self-defense, and that fighting stopped only after all ammunition was exhausted.

TRAPPED IN POCKET

When the attack began the New Fourth Army people were already enroute to the area north of the Yangtze. After having been granted permission by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek to take a safe route east of Chinking, the New Fourth Army people started on January 4th from Yunling, in the district of Kinhsien, where the Army headquarters had been. The next day they reached Mowling on the border of Kinhsien and Taiping, and at the entrance to a long mountainous path with high peaks on both sides. After they entered this pocket, other Chinese troops—of the National Government, delivered a sudden attack from both sides.

Knowing that they were trapped, the New Fourth people tried to dash out, but the surrounding troops grew thicker and thicker.

This fight, the intensity of which has never been equalled since the battle against the Japanese in Shanghai in 1937, lasted from January 6th to January 13th, eight full days and eight nights.

The little group of the New Fourth Army was surrounded by twelve divisions. Those actually participating in the fighting were the Seventh Division under Tien Chin-nyi, the Tenth Division under Wang Kln-siu, the Fortieth Division under Chuen Chung-hsien, the Fifty-second and Seventy-ninth Divisions, the 108th Division, the 144th Division under Fan Tse-yin, and two other divisions of the Ninth Army. In all, nearly 80,000 under the general command of General Shankuan Yun-hsiang, were engaged with the 10,000 people of the New Fourth, and more than half of the latter 10,000 were not soldiers.

Of the 10,000 people of the New Fourth, 4,000 were soldiers of the Third Detachment who were guarding Army Headquarters. The rest consisted of about 2,000 wounded soldiers and officers who now had to be carried, and more than 3,000 political workers, cadets, medical service people and their families.

AMMUNITION EXHAUSTED

They were attacked first by the Fortieth Division, but this Division was completely defeated and its commander Chuan Chung-hsien, was killed. But following the Fortieth Division, more and more forces surged in and the New Fourth people were completely overwhelmed.

By January 9th, the fourth day of the fighting, the New Fourth people had completely run out of food supplies. On the 12th, ammunition was exhausted. The result was that more than 2,000 were killed and between 3,000 and 4,000 wounded. More than 2,000 were taken prisoner, but most of them had been wounded and half of them were political workers in the army. Less than 2,000 succeeded in escaping. The total casualties among the Central troops was over 20,000. Several thousand of the local residents were killed, including some of the gentry who tried to intervene.

Those who succeeded in escaping were met by Japanese detachments, while the garrison ground of the New Fourth Army in southern Anhwei was taken over by Wang Ching-wei's puppet troops.

The Communist Party of China and the Eighth Route Army have vehemently protested the attack and are demanding the release of Yeh Ting and the restoration of the official status of the New Fourth Army. Neutral observers fear that unless there is a speedy and just settlement by Chungking, civil war will again tear China asunder.

Batista Lauds Pan American Council Aims

Cuban President Lauds Council's Criticism of 'Annexation'

President Fulgencio Batista of Cuba, in a letter acknowledging receipt of a copy of the Open Letter sent to Senator Smathers of New Jersey by the Council for Pan American Democracy, 100 Fifth Ave., New York City, stating its sharp protest against the Smathers resolution regarding the annexation of the Republic of Cuba to the United States, expressed his appreciation of the action taken by the Council in sending the protest. [Senator Smathers presented his resolution, S. J. Res. 25, to the Senate on Jan. 23, 1941.]

Clifford T. McAvoy, Chairman of the Council, in making the letter public, affirmed the stand taken by the Council against the Smathers resolution, and reiterated the demand that the New Jersey Senator publicly apologize to the Republic of Cuba for proposing a resolution which is undemocratic to the core, and which is an affront to a friendly nation.

LAUDS AIMS

The letter from President Batista reads in part: "I have the pleasure of acknowledging receipt of your communication, expressing the fine attitude your organization has adopted in regard to the proposal made by Senator Smathers in the Senate of the United States."

"Because of the high democratic objectives, the sincere Pan-American principles and aims which your organization has expressed and defended at all times, I am not surprised by your cordial message. . . . I wish to inform you of the deep emotion and gratitude with which this message . . . of your fraternal and respectful gesture toward our sovereignty . . . is received by the Honorable President of the Republic."

"I beg you, Mr. McAvoy, and the Council for Pan American Democracy of which you are the distinguished Chairman, to accept our deepest appreciation, and the expression of our highest esteem."

Japan Asks USSR for Trade Pact

MOSCOW, Feb. 18 (UP).—The government was expected to reply today to trade proposals made yesterday by the Japanese ambassador, Yoshitsugu Taketani, in a 90-minute conference with Anastas Mikoyan, Commissar of Foreign Trade.

In addition to Japan, Mikoyan is negotiating trade agreements with delegations from Rumania, Switzerland, Sweden and Belgium, in accordance with a recently announced policy of dealing commercially with any country, belligerent or non-belligerent, so long as mutual interests could be served.

Fernet Named Vichy Gov't Contact Man

VICHY, Feb. 18 (UP).—Vice-Admiral Fernet, secretary general of the prime ministry, was named secretary general of the new national council today. He will act as liaison officer between the government and the council.

Fernet had been attacked by the Paris press which charged him with plotting against Pierre Laval.

London Frowns as Chile Seizes 3 Danish Ships

SANTIAGO, Chile, Feb. 18 (UP).—The Foreign Ministry said today that Chile would pay the indemnities and rent for the use of three Danish ships seized under the Public Utility Law, but that it would not buy the ships.

The seizure was expected to be frowned upon by the British government and British quarters here said that if the ships were found outside territorial waters they would be sunk or seized under international law.

2 Airmen Die

CALGARY, Alberta, Feb. 18 (UP).—Two Canadian Air Force fliers—one an American—were killed when their bomber crashed 30 miles west of here last night.

World Capitalist Press Tries to Hide the Solid Achievements Of the Soviet People, as Revealed by the 18th CPSU Conference

By G. Stanley

(Written for the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Feb. 18.—The challenging report of Georgi M. Malenkov, secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, given before the first full session of the 18th Party Conference now meeting here, has aroused a tornado of front-page ecstasy in the foreign press because of the severe "self-criticism" which it contained.

But again, as has happened many times before, the windy gloating of the bourgeois journalistic backbones. They miss both the solid basis of achievement on which the criticism is based, and the new seven-league-boots advance which the criticism heralds.

In these days, while the Second Imperialist War is raging, the radio and columns of the bourgeois press frequently carry statements made by political figures and representatives of the capitalist world. The majority of these statements deal with military events and contain threats. Sometimes economic problems are dealt with, but every effort is made to conceal the im-

portance of the working people by using pompous phrases about imaginary "successes" and by making generous promises for the future which are supposed to be carried out "after a victorious war."

GREATEST TASK IN HISTORY

The speech of Malenkov on the tasks of the Bolshevik Party in the sphere of industry and transport, heard not only by the 18th Conference delegates but by the whole Soviet country, differed radically from the above-mentioned types of statements. Malenkov is a member of the Politburo, the highest of the Bolshevik Party, which as the guiding force of the Soviet Union is leading the Soviet people from success to success, in leading them in successfully carrying out one of the greatest tasks known in the history of mankind, namely, that of turning old, backward Russia into a country with a powerful socialist industry, into a country with the most modern agriculture in the world. The people who were oppressed and exploited under tsarism are now the masters of their own country.

First of all, nobody in the Soviet Union needs to make lengthy speeches about the successes of Soviet power. There is no need to make cheap promises, no need to conceal things here, for the big successes of Socialist construction are an every day reality in the Soviet Land. These successes are reflected in the country's powerful industry, which affords employment and conditions for a prosperous life for all our people; they are reflected in the progress of collective farming, in the creative labor of the Soviet people.

'ACCORDING TO HIS NEEDS'

Secondly, all the achievements of the Soviet Union are steps leading to new and higher aims. In his report to the 18th Congress of the CPSU, Stalin placed before the Soviet people the great aim of gradual transition from a Socialist to a Communist society, to a social order under which every member of society will receive according to his needs.

This aim serves as a stimulus for further progress in the Soviet Union.

The attitude of complacency and satisfaction with what has been achieved cannot be tolerated in any

briefly with these great successes of socialist construction. In his introduction he pointed out in passing that the gross output of socialist industry, which had in 1938 constituted 106,000,000,000 rubles, increased to 124,000,000,000 in 1939 and to 137,000,000,000 rubles in 1940. He also pointed out the progress in transport, and the increasingly large investments made yearly by the Soviet government in both industry and transport.

After this introductory review, Malenkov's report is devoted to a detailed criticism of shortcomings. With a frankness unknown in other countries of the world, he disclosed weaknesses in the economic organs, sluggishness of the organizations in industry and transport, lack of proper use of modern Soviet technique of new materials, etc.

Anyone abroad reading this report must recognize one thing: In no other country in the world could a statesman so sharply and openly criticize weaknesses. This keynote in Malenkov's report has its deep roots in Soviet reality.

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Steel Trust Gouges Gov't, Committee Told

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18 (AP).—Steel companies, which often give price discounts of nearly 50 per cent to large buyers, refuse any concessions to the government, a study submitted to the Federal Monopoly Committee asserted today.

Chairman Joseph C. G. Mahoney, D. Wis., said American taxpayers are forced to expend "great sums" as a result of these price discounts.

"The existence of these concessions is significant not only to small businesses," he said, "but also to the government of the United States, for the government, large though its orders may be, receives none of these price concessions; it pays as much as the smallest private purchaser."

"The government is, indeed, the 'best favored buyer,' and its inability to obtain the price concessions regularly given to large private buyers annually costs the nation's taxpayers great sums of money."

The price concessions to large purchasers, which diminish with the size of the buyer, place the small businessman at "a severe competitive disadvantage," Mahoney said.

The study, it was explained, was based on a committee questionnaire sent to more than half the steel industry.

Rally Pledges United Support To Day Strike

CIO and AFL Unions Join in Support of News Guild Strike

A crowded auditorium of New York Newspaper Guild members and supporters from other unions, both CIO and AFL, pledged their support today to the News Guild strike.

The strike, precipitated by a wave of mass firings and wage cuts by the Day management in violation of the Guild's contract with the paper, entered its fifth day yesterday.

Speakers at last night's meeting included B. Z. Goldberg, the Day's featured columnist, who is one of the leading strikers; Alexander Hoffman, manager of the Citizen and Dyer's Joint Board of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers; Morris Muter, international president of the United Furniture Workers, CIO; Monroe Stern, president of the New York local of the Newspaper Guild; Sam Landau, chairman of the Day unit of the Guild; Miss Kate Shaw, president of the Newspaper Guild Auxiliary and Mrs. Arthur Pollock, president of the New York local of the Guild Auxiliary.

CIRCULATION HEADS STRIKE

Meanwhile, as committees of strikers and strike supporters began to make denials in the Day's advertising by appeals to advertisers to pull out of the strike paper, an interesting development in the walkout occurred when Maurice Shulitzky, for 13 years circulation manager of the Day, joined the strikers.

Declaring "I will not work with scale," Mr. Shulitzky pledged his full support of the strike. He had not been covered by the Guild's contract with the Day because he was classified as an executive.

More than 70,000 copies of a Jewish language strike paper, called "The Day Striker," were being distributed by the Guild as mementos of Guildsmen called on news dealers urging them to discontinue sale of the paper.

San Francisco Fire Kills 3

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18 (AP).—Three women were burned to death, a man was injured critically, four firemen were overcome by smoke and 36 young girls were left to safety today in a fire that swept through the Mission Community Center and girls' club.

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Philadelphia Negro Congress Asks WPA Fund

CIO Makes New Gains in New Jersey

Electrical Unions Wins Pay Rise in Bayonne; Carteret Strike Solid

(Special to the Daily Worker)

NEWARK, Feb. 18.—Despite the efforts New Jersey open shoppers are making to frame regional director Neil Brant on an 1813 flag law, the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, CIO, registered success in several more situations today.

The union signed its second contract within a month at Bayonne, N. J. This time through peaceful negotiations covering the 450 workers of the Electro-Dynamic Co. The firm manufactures electrical equipment, including motors for submarines.

At the same time, Walter Muford, the union's organizer at the Bayonne shops, announced that wage adjustments bringing wage increases of from five to 17 cents an hour were completed for the Babcock and Wilcox Co. workers where a pact was reached after several weeks of striking. The agreement for that company's 450 workers was given final approval by the workers yesterday and will be ready for signing tomorrow.

WAGE BOOSTS

The terms at Electro-Dynamic provide a flat five cents an hour increase, with all hourly earnings to be brought up to at least 60 cents; 55-cent hiring minimum against the former 45 cents; 40-cent hiring for women against the former 35 cents; further adjustments of wages to be made on a basis of a joint union-company survey of scales in the community; a five per cent differential for night workers and an improvement in the vacation system.

At Carteret, where a stooge of the Foster-Wheeler Corp. was used to charge Brant with "mutilating" the flag, alleging he touched the banner with a gavel while chairman, 800 strikers remain out solidly. The corporation's plant remains closed.

The union scored another victory at Orange, N. J., for the 800 workers of the Monroe Calculating Machine Co. The National Labor Relations Board yesterday ordered an election within 30 days, ruling that a contract the company signed with a group which was defeated in an election a year ago is invalid.

The CIO at the plant obtained the affiliation of an independent organization which subsequently won a collective bargaining election. It became Local 431 of the URMW.

CIO Auto Union Petitions for Ford Election

DETROIT, Feb. 18 (UP).—The United Automobile Workers (CIO) petitioned the National Labor Relations Board today for bargaining elections at the Ford Motor Company's River Rouge and Highland Park plants.

Harold A. Crane, acting regional director, announced filing of the petition. He said it would be sent to Washington at once.

The union asserted in the petition that it represents 90 per cent of the production employees in the two plants. Earlier it had asked the labor board for a similar election at Ford's Lincoln plant.

The association's board of directors met last night and was expected to report to a full meeting of all the manufacturers tonight or tomorrow.

A mass meeting of more than 5,000 strikers, following a report by Ben Goff, international president of the union, Monday night rejected a proposal of the employers and instructed negotiators to press for the demand: bargaining discharge for the life of the contract and for more substantial wage increases than those offered.

The workers had also approved the union's final offer to submit the demands to arbitration by an impartial committee of three.

With the season expected to get into stride early this year, the employers appeared puzzled on whether to try again their unsuccessful lawsuit of 1939. The union is preparing to meet such eventually and defend it as it did in 1939.

In the meantime the Ford's Council resolved a pledge of support from CIO affiliates. One was in a telegram from Joseph Curran, president of the Greater New York Industrial Union Council.

Danes Get 2½ Years for Fights with Nazi Soldiers

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 15 (UP).—Four young Danes today were sentenced to prison terms of from six months to two and a half years on charges of starting fights with German soldiers.



DISCOVERED ALMOST FOUR YEARS AFTER FATAL CRASH: A hunting party from Santa Maria de Dota finds the wreckage of a single motor plane which fell in the jungle of Costa Rica in June 1937. The skeletons of the pilot and five passengers were found among the debris and underbrush.

City Council Votes to Continue Smith Probe

Also Votes Against Asking Selective Service Administration to Defer New York Cops; Session Used to Drum Up War Atmosphere

The city council yesterday voted to continue the Al Smith, Jr., councilmanic witch hunt against civil service workers.

The vote was 14 to 4. By a vote of 15 to 2 the Council defeated a request to the National Selective Service

Administration to defer the city's police and firemen under the draft act.

Council President Newbold Morris led the fight to keep the cops from being drafted.

Morris came down from his chair as President of the Council and talked loud and long for a war program.

"DANGER" HERE, HE SAYS "Probably under modern warfare," the Council President stated, "the most dangerous place for a human being to be is right on the sidewalk of a great city like New York, trying to protect life and property. We do not seek deferment for the police and firemen because we want to take them away from the front lines. In actual warfare the greater need for them is here."

Councilman Joseph Clark Baldwin said there was no question that the selective service law prohibits any draft board from exempting a group as such, but he added, he believed an expression of opinion on the part of the council that each draft board carefully consider and give deferment to policemen and firemen as their individual cases come before the boards to be desirable. This would be done on recommendation of the police and fire commissioners, he stated.

TRAFFIC IN WAR

Robert K. Straus, Manhattan Fusionist, who was later recorded as not voting on the motion to place, said he was told recently in Washington by an army officer of the army's great need of policemen to train army personnel in traffic control and of firemen to teach the technique of fire control. The service man told him, he said, that the experience in France last spring showed the importance of military policemen, particularly in the handling of refugees.

"Traffic control is one of the largest problems in modern warfare," Mr. Straus declared.

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N. Y. Legislature Creates New 'Defense' Body

Ostertag Measure Goes to Governor Lehman; Labor Circles See Danger of Local Vigilante Terror

By S. W. Gerson (Daily Worker Staff Correspondent)

ALBANY, Feb. 18.—The "defense" juggernaut began its lumbering march through the legislature today with the unanimous passage of the Ostertag Bill by the Senate and its transmission to the governor for his signature.

Adopted by the Assembly last night over the opposition of Laborite J. Eugene Zimmer of

Troy, the measure sets up a State Defense Council as a regular agency of government. It also empowers cities and counties to create similar bodies.

While formally introduced by Assemblyman Harold C. Ostertag, a Republican New York Central man from Wyoming County, the bill is in line with Governor Herbert H. Lehman's recommendations in his opening message to the legislature and received the blessing of leaders of both major parties.

MEASURE RUSHED

This morning's debate was perfunctory. Senate majority leader Joe Hanley insisting that speed was necessary. Feeble opposition was voiced by Senator Thomas Desmond, Newburgh Republican, who claimed greater virtues for a bill sponsored by him.

Another Desmond bill, innocent enough in appearance, became the subject for considerably warmer discussion than greeted the Ostertag bill. Designed to amend the penal law in relation to the destruction of dangerous weapons the bill was finally converted to what one Senator termed a "junior lend lease bill."

Originally, all Desmond sought was permission to centralize the destruction of weapons found in the hands of criminals. Senator Hanley, however, felt that the guns might well go to Britain instead.

Some criticism was expressed by Senator Clifford Hastings, Republican of Troy, who contended that the constitutional right to bear arms was being taken from the people and that, parichists would take Americans at a disadvantage. He wanted to keep the guns here.

He said, so that "we can watch for some one to drop out of the sky."

COMIC, BUT NOT FUNNY

The Desmond bill was finally laid aside, its sponsor promising to amend his bill to permit the State police to turn over confiscated sawed-off shotguns, gangster "type-writers" and snub-nosed pistols to the British.

But if the debate around the Desmond Bill had obvious opera bouffe qualities, labor observers at the capitol saw no mirth in the Ostertag measure. They will concentrate their criticism on other so-called model defense bills at a public hearing Feb. 25 in the Assembly, but they are nonetheless privately critical about elements in the State Defense Council Bill.

The bill in effect legalizes the present State Defense Council, six

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Cites Need for 500 Million Appropriation

Hits 'Defense' Jim-Crow in Letter to Seven Congressmen

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 18.—The need for immediate WPA deficiency appropriation of \$500,000,000 was emphasized in a letter sent yesterday to the seven Philadelphia Congressmen by the city executive board of the National Negro Congress.

The letter stressed that only such an appropriation will halt a 30 per cent general lay-off of project workers and emphasized the particular hardship such a lay-off would inflict upon Negro labor "which has received very little benefits from the armament program."

"Our research committee," the letter points out, "estimates that there are still about eight million unemployed persons in the country. This staggering figure, despite the 'National Defense Industries' is living proof that WPA or some adequate form of work program is needed now, as much as ever."

"Frankly very few Negro citizens of this area have been absorbed into private industry as a result of national defense work. Moreover, no substantial number of Negroes have been employed by the government defense agencies in recent months. Our figures indicate a net rise in the ratio of unemployed to direct relief of \$8 per cent during the past six months."

The letter was signed by Miss Goldie Ervin, president of the Philadelphia Council of the Congress, and by George Francis Arnold, corresponding secretary.

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Teachers to Wage Nationwide Fight Against Expulsions

Board Headed by Counts Revokes Charter of Four Locals; Hendley Calls Autocratic Procedure 'Unconstitutional'

Announcement from Chicago that the executive council of the American Federation of Teachers decided to expel three New York and one Philadelphia affiliates totaling a third of the union's national membership, brought announcement here yesterday that the fight against dominant reactionary AFT clique will be waged with full vigor on a nation-wide scale.

The announcements came from Dr. Robert K. Speer, president of College Teachers Union, Local 537; Charles J. Hendley, President of Local 5 and William Lever, President of WPA teachers Local 453. The council voted to revoke the charters of all three locals.

The Philadelphia local, 192, headed by Mary Foley Grossman, has along with the other three locals been in the forefront of progressive unions and in the fight for democracy in education.

UNCONSTITUTIONAL

The announcement of the National Council that it will submit the question of revoking the charters to a national referendum, was declared by the union leaders here as an attempt to "circumvent the constitution" of the AFT.

The executive council, headed by its reactionary President Prof. George S. Counts, struck its knife into the unions here as the Rapp-Coudert which committee, given another year's lease, renewed its effort to blacklist the members. Tomorrow the subpoena for the membership lists of Local 537 are returnable before the committee.

A third factor in the coordinated drive upon the teachers comes from the Board of Education and Board of Higher Education who jointly with the legislative committee bring the employers' pressure upon the members of the locals.

"The Counts faction of the AFT is trying to circumvent the constitution of the Federation in its attempt to expel three locals which it cannot control," declared Hendley. "The resort to a referendum is a smokescreen of pretended democracy to conceal its anti-democratic purge."

"Our constitution requires a two-thirds vote in the national convention for the expulsion of a local. This provision was designed to protect minorities against just such action as Counts and his supporters are trying to carry through. This faction cannot expel those locals legally, for we are getting support from the membership of the Federation throughout the country."

"In desperation the executive council resorts to a referendum which requires a simple majority for approval. The constitution does not provide for expulsion by referendum. Of course Local 5 will insist that the legal procedure be followed—we will appeal to the convention."

FULLY DEMOCRATIC

The executive council's charge that the unions expelled are "dominated by Communists" was termed a "malicious lie" by Hendley. He declared that Local 5 is "not dominated by any group inside or outside the organization."

"All our policies, our program and our activities, are decided upon by a thoroughly democratic process," Hendley continued. "No other local in the whole Federation operates more democratically than Local 5. This charge of Communist domination is just politics of a very low order."

Earlier Dr. Speer and Dale Zysman, vice-president of Local 5, is-

sued a joint statement of a similar nature. They lashed out against the new charge conceived by the national council that the recently formed "Committee to Save the American Federation of Teachers" is a "dual" organization.

Dr. Speer is national chairman of that committee.

"This committee is in no sense a dual organization," their statement said. "It consists of members of the AFT who want to maintain unity in the AFT and direct it toward constructive educational action."

"It works entirely within the AFT. It is no more a dual organization than the joint progressive caucus maintain by the executive council."

The "progressive" caucus is the combination of Social Democrats, Lovestones, Trotskyites and William Green type reactionaries who are combined under Prof. Counts' leadership for the rule or ruin policy.

William Lever, defended the WPA local against the charge that his union was behind in per capita, the supposed basis for that local's suspension. He revealed that the check for dues sent to the council on Jan. 1, 1941, but the check was held up to date and neither accepted nor rejected. He further noted that the local's standing was not questioned several weeks ago when its members voted in a referendum.

"The specific reason given by the executive council," said Lever, "for suspending our local rounds out the complete picture of the plot to purge the most energetic and militant locals of the Federation. Not having any smear charges against us they hit on the pretext of an obviously trumped up case about our per capita dues payments."

Lever noted that the union's constitution requires notice and time to locals before any suspensions for dues delinquency takes effect. As further indication of the reason for suspension of 453, Lever explained that it is part of the process to disqualify as many progressive locals from voting in the proposed referendum, and eventually for the convention, as possible. Local 453 he said, would cast about 700 votes against the administration. He observed that in the recent referendum on the Howard amendment which centered largely on the same issue, the executive council claimed a majority of only about 1,000 votes.

The union's next convention, at which the struggle is expected to culminate, is to be held in Detroit in August.

Deny British Patrol Off Coast of Thailand

BANGKOK, Thailand (8am), Feb. 18 (UP).—Reports that British warships were patrolling Thailand territorial waters off Songkhla, near the border with Malaysia, were described as untrue in a government communique today.

It was said that investigation had proved the report unfounded.

Workers Rush To Join Union At Harvester

7,000 at McCormick Plant Wait Signal to Walk Out

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 18.—Workers at the International Harvester McCormick plant broke all records here for a mass influx into the CIO Farm Equipment Workers' Union today as the local was completing its strike vote.

Hundreds lined up in the union headquarters to sign cards, blasting the long tradition that "McCormick is the toughest anti-union link in the Harvester chain."

The CIO local was forced to extend the strike balloting for another day because there were no facilities for handling the terrific rush of workers at the end of each shift.

With some 8,000 workers already on strike at three Harvester plants, McCormick's 7,000 workers are ready to go as soon as the signal is sounded.

The management meanwhile clung to its "no wage rise" position as plant after plant joined the strike in swift succession with the growing possibility that the entire Harvester chain may be closed down.

The world's largest farm implement concern tried its hand at strike-breaking at the Richmond, Indiana, plant, where 1,200 workers walked out yesterday morning. The result was a miserable fiasco as 600 pickets held their own against local police and vigilantes.

Meanwhile, a huge mass meeting of striking tractor works employees was held here last night. Chairman Grant Oakes of the Farm Equipment Workers' Organizing Committee declared that: "We can hold out as long as the company can, and longer." Oakes reported a tremendous response from unions and organizations in all parts of the country to the strikers' request for financial aid.

Father McGovern, of the Lady of Good Council Parish, who spoke at the mass rally, warned the strikers against "whisper mongers" who would try to spread defeatism in their ranks. Another speaker, Charlotte Carr, director of Hull House, told the strikers that they were doing more for the community in trying to raise living standards than anything that has yet been done.

Report Nazi 'Pressure' Is Put on Greece

But Berlin Denies It Seeks to Force Armistice

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garian-Turkish non-aggression agreement by making "demands" on Greece.

Nazi quarters said Germany has made no demands "of any character" upon Greece as a result of the agreement.

SOFA REPORTS PEACE TALKS ON

SOPIA, Feb. 18 (UP).—Germany has launched conversations in Sofia for a "quick peace" between Greece and Italy, it was stated authoritatively tonight despite denials in Greek quarters.

The Germans are serving as intermediaries, it was said, using the new Turkish-Bulgarian declaration of neutrality and non-aggression as the means of bringing pressure on the Greeks.



Stalled by West Coast Storm: These auto, hub-deep in mud, were caught in the grip of a storm and stalled in the western part of Los Angeles. Overnight, the city became virtually a lake as the terrific rain storm swept the area.

Report CIO Rejects War Labor Board

Administration Scheme Would Give Government a Club to Break Strikes; AFL President Green Endorses Proposal

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outright rejection of the War Labor Board plan included Murray and vice-presidents Reid Robinson of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers and Joseph Curran of the National Maritime Union.

While Murray has endorsed important aspects of the Roosevelt "defense" program, he told the meeting of the CIO officers that he believed the proposed War Labor Board would seriously jeopardize labor's right to strike.

ACW CHIEF ENDORSES

Complete endorsement of the administration plan was given by CIO vice-president Frank Rosenbloom, representing the Amalgamated Clothing Workers during the heated discussion at the CIO meeting.

Vice-presidents Sherman Dairymple of the United Rubber Workers and R. J. Thomas of the United Automobile are also understood to have expressed general approval of the scheme, criticizing only specific details.

According to the plan submitted to AFL and CIO leaders, President Roosevelt is to have power to appoint the three members of the War Labor Board. All three are to be members of the "public," allegedly representing neither labor nor business.

This Board is to have the sweeping powers to step into any strike situation or labor dispute and conduct an "investigation." It can then issue a public report stating its opinion of the strike, and distributing responsibility for its occurrence. The major effect of this kind of set-up is obviously to create a black-jack which can be held over the heads of labor in the event of a strike.

CAN BREAK STRIKES

At any time the War Labor Board can issue a report strongly condemning the strikers and setting in motion a wave of anti-labor hysteria.

The President can follow through with more concrete steps designed to force the strikers back on their jobs.

In addition to three members of the "public," the proposed War Labor Board is also to have an advisory council of eight, ostensibly to represent the interests of both labor and capital.

There are to be two representatives each of the CIO, the AFL, the National Association of Manufacturers and the United States Chamber of Commerce.

Real powers of conducting inves-

tigations and issuing reports are, however, to be vested in the three-man War Labor Board, with the eight-man group performing a wholly advisory function.

"ANTIDOTE" TO BILLS

It is understood that the administration is trying to sell this plan as an alleged "antidote" to the various bills pending in Congress would outlaw the right to strike and severely penalize strikers.

Actually, however, the administration plan would have the same effect of curbing strikes by creating a governmental policing agency which could step into any labor situation at any time it wants to.

In addition, this kind of anti-strike move would tend to encourage the passage by Congress of even more drastic legislation.

The refusal of the CIO to back the scheme has temporarily shelved the original administration strategy which was to have the War Labor Board emerge as a joint proposal of both the CIO and the AFL. Only the reactionary AFL chiefs have so far endorsed the plan.

But the War Labor Board plan is by no means dead. Aided by Hillman and AFL president Green, the administration will continue its effort to put this anti-labor scheme across.

Quincy Shipyard Workers Demand Wage Increase

QUINCY, Mass., Feb. 18 (UP).—Officials of Local No. 5, Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers, CIO, today awaited a response from the management of the Fore River shipyard of the Bethlehem Steel Co. to nine demands for wage increases and improved working conditions. About 11,000 workers would be affected.

The company recently granted exclusive recognition to an independent union, charged by the CIO unit as a company union. The yard is working on contracts for the Navy Department.

Demands of the CIO union, submitted to the management after a meeting last night, included a 15-cent-an-hour wage increase, improved seniority provisions, revision of the incentive system, job reclassification, bonuses for night work, vacations with pay, protection of draftees, job training opportunities and pay for holidays.

The letter was yesterday's main butt of all sorts of jokes among the strikers.

British Warned Food Shortage Getting Worse

LONDON, Feb. 18 (UP).—Food Minister Lord Woolton today warned the British they must tighten their belts many more notches and return to the days of simpler living because of the food shortage.

Speaking in a House of Lords debate, the Food Minister gave a gloomy picture of the food outlook. He said the greatest shortage was in the animal protein group, such as bacon, eggs, cheese and meat.

"It would be wrong of me not to disclose that I am greatly concerned over the shortage of these commodities, especially cheese," Woolton said.

German Raiders Range Over All Britain

BERLIN, Feb. 18 (UP).—Wide spread attacks on the British Isles yesterday and last night and damage to British shipping, including sinking of a merchant ship of 4,800 tons by aircraft, were claimed in a German High Command communique today.

In addition to attacking London, with high explosive and incendiary bombs, the German air force "successfully" attacked various military important objectives in the British Isles, including East Coast harbor works, an industrial plant southeast of Hull, an oil depot on Moray Firth, warehouses in the Shetland Islands and searchlight positions on the south and east coasts, the High Command said.

Deny Report Allis-Chalmers Strike Is Over

UAW Leader Contradicts Statement Issued by Knudsen, Hillman

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 18.—Contrary to the statement issued Saturday at Washington by William Knudsen, director, and Sidney Hillman, his associate in the Office of Production Management, the Allis-Chalmers strike of 7,800 is not settled, Harold Christoffel, president of Local 248 of the United Automobile Workers, declared today.

Characterizing the Washington story "rumors," he said the walkout will continue until an agreement acceptable to the local membership is reached.

Christoffel's announcement came after a membership meeting of 6,000 striking workers yesterday voted unanimously that irrespective of Washington announcements the walkout would continue until negotiations are finally completed.

The plant remained closed as negotiations continued here on several important points. The union is determined to safeguard its security and to obtain wage increases.

Rally Called To Back Local 65 Strikers

Queens CIO Workers Urged to Support Meeting Today

The Queens Organizing Committee of the CIO will hold its first mass meeting at 5:30 P. M. today in support of the 350 striking workers of the National Container Corporation now in the third week of their walkout.

A call has been issued to all CIO members in Queens to rally behind the strikers as the opening shot in the drive aiming to unionize predominantly open shop Queens.

Myer Stern director of the CIO's Queens Organizing Committee will preside. Leaders of a number of unions will speak.

"A victory for the workers of this plant will have immediate beneficial results for all the workers in Queens," says the call of the meeting. The National Container Workers are now in the forefront of the struggle to make Queens a union town.

"Shall labor continue to work in Queens for lower wages, bad working conditions and under anti-union management? Organization of the un-organized depends to a great extent upon a victory at National."

Strikers of National Container, members of Local 65, United Wholesale and Warehouse Employees, rounded out the day with a mass picket line of 200 in front of the plant. Ranks are solid and the plant remained closed.

Tra Sugerman, chairman of the strike committee said the company is apparently growing anxious, as its manager sent a letter to the strikers addressed "to my fellow workers," pleading to them that their business is being ruined."

The letter was yesterday's main butt of all sorts of jokes among the strikers.

6,000 at Phila. Rally Hit Browder Ruling

William Z. Foster Likens Supreme Court Decision to Dred Scott Case; Frankfield Says Issue Is Part of Roosevelt War Drive

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English people at any time just as they betrayed the people of Europe at Munich. Their war aims are to attack the Soviet Union and to hasten the rule of fascism upon the world."

Foster concluded by speaking on the Dean of Canterbury's best seller, "The Soviet Power." Eight hundred copies were sold in the audience.

A standing ovation greeted Phil Frankfield as Earl Browder, legislative chairman of the Communist Party and chairman of the rally, introduced the new secretary of the Communist Party of Eastern Pennsylvania to the first mass rally since his arrival in Philadelphia.

"Let the slave owners of 1861 rejoice," Frankfield declared, "while we the people rededicate ourselves to the glorious cause of human freedom, universal peace, job, security, prosperity, and happiness that the great Earl Browder symbolized for the American people."

PLEDGE TO BROWDER

Frankfield then spoke the thoughts of every man, woman and child in the audience when he said: "Let us pledge tonight to fight unceasingly for Browder's freedom from the bastilles of American capitalism. Let us pledge to our leader Earl Browder that we will unflinchingly carry forward his noble teachings. Let us pledge to win the majority of the working people of Philadelphia to the immortal world struggle, since the Supreme Court has now given the go-ahead signal to Wall Street to plunge our country into fire."

"Our Communist Party," like its leader Earl Browder, will stand the supreme test of fire," Frankfield continued. "Through Wall Street and Roosevelt have captured and will soon imprison Browder, the Party of Browder, the ideals and ideas of Browder, they can never imprison. We pledge the Communist Browder to work harder than we have ever worked before; to build and strengthen our Party as we have never done before; to double and triple the circulation of our beloved Daily and Sunday Worker as we have never done before; to face our party with the Negro and white masses in Philadelphia stronger than ever before. The spirit of Communism haunts the war makers and imperialists. The conviction of Browder proves that the ruling class trembles in fear."

A resolution demanding the freedom of Browder, Wiener, Darcy, and an end to the frame-up of local leaders Heller and Bush was passed. Resolutions were also passed calling on Congress to halt the drive to war by defeating H.R. 1776; on Governor James demanding the defeat of legislation directed at destroying the Bill of Rights by outlawing the Communist Party; demanding that the city council prosecute those responsible for the

deaths by fire and explosion which have swept this city.

A resolution demanding the passage of the anti-lynch bill was approved as was a resolution asking an end to the discrimination and persecution of the Negro people.

MAUDE WHITE SPEAKS

Maude White, outstanding Negro woman Communist, spoke on Frederick Douglass and the Negro people today. She said of Douglass:

"He symbolized what the Negro people have achieved in spite of 230 years of slavery, handicaps, and tribulations and what they will accomplish once they obtain real freedom and equality."

Frank Cestare, secretary of the Young Communist League, spoke of youth's demand to stay at peace and presented a fighting program to achieve that end.

A collection was taken from the audience of \$4,400.

Says He Backed Labor in Opposing Dies

Congressman Who Voted 'No' Says He Sided with Trade Unions

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 18.—Rep. Thomas E. Scanlon declared today that he had voted against continuation of the Dies Committee because "organized labor was opposed" to the Committee's activities.

Congressman Scanlon, Democrat and representative from Pittsburgh's Northside, is a member of the Tradesman's Union and has long been a leader in American Federation of Labor circles here. He was one of six Congressmen to vote against the continuation of the Dies Committee.

Questioned by the Daily Worker, Scanlon said that "organized labor has always been opposed to the Dies Committee. I myself considered the Committee unnecessary."

The Congressman said that since his vote he had received many letters of congratulations for his stand.

Tells Secret Precautions Against Raids in Australia

SYDNEY, Australia, Feb. 18 (UP).—Acting Prime Minister A. W. Fadden today disclosed existence of a voluminous secret report embracing comprehensive plans for co-ordinated air raid precautions throughout Australia.

Reading from a report consisting of 100 double folio sheets and marked "secret," Fadden revealed that initial steps already had been taken for providing shelters, emergency transport, evacuation of civilians, and other aspects of defense.



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U.S. Is 'In War Now,' Jones Says

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the bill into effect on the assumption that Congress will shortly approve the measure.

As one step in this direction, the President announced that W. Averell Harriman, the well-known Wall Street banker, will be sent to London within two weeks as "defense expediter."

In line with the Administration's new secret diplomacy, the President was vague about Harriman's functions and even more vague about his official status. He said it did not matter whether Harriman was responsible to the American Embassy in London or to the President.

There are even reports in responsible sources in Washington that the Administration has actually guaranteed British orders placed with American manufacturers during the past month on the ground that it expected that Congress would soon grant it the authority to take over all British orders.

These developments amply confirmed the charges leveled against the lend-lease by isolationist Senators who monopolized the day's oratory.

Senator Clark of Missouri said that the bill would "authorize the

underwriting of the cost of maintaining the British Empire around the world at the expense of the taxpayers of America."

He declared that the bill would "bring the war to our very doors by affording access to our Navy yard and ship yard facilities for the warships of belligerent nations."

Clark said it would put the United States into the war from which it would emerge "whether we won the war or not with a totalitarian form of government."

MINORITY STAND

In a minority report endorsed by a few other Senators, Senator Hiram Johnson, ranking Republican member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, declared:

"No one can read this bill and doubt that its ultimate effect, if not its declared purpose, will be to take us into war."

Senator Arthur Vandenberg, Michigan Republican, charged that passage of the bill would make President Roosevelt the "power politician No. 1 of the world" and the White House "the (general headquarters) for the second world war."

From Senator Gerald P. Nye, North Dakota Republican, came the statement that the bill in effect

represented a "military alliance" with the British Empire.

All of these charges conform with the facts and to a limited extent reflect the mass opposition to the bill which exists throughout the country and is making itself felt on Capitol Hill through letters, telegrams and delegations.

But at the same time the speeches today by the isolationist group in the Senate contained such serious weakness and loopholes as to compromise and undermine the entire opposition to the bill.

ATTACK U. S. S. R.

Practically every speech made during the day contained inflammatory anti-Soviet statements and apparently criticized the administration on the ground that it was not sufficiently anti-Soviet.

In a piece of oratory typical of the anti-Soviet hysteria which reigned about a year ago, Senator Clark complained that under the bill "aid could be extended to the Russian Bear with its claws still dripping with the blood of heroic Finland as easily as to the far-flung British Empire."

TORY TEARS

Senator Johnson in his minority report also wept crocodile tears over "little Finland" and said that

the lifting of the "moral embargo" against the Soviet Union meant that the United States "condoned every Russian crime, and forgave her every unrighteous grab of weaker neighbors."

Like the other isolationist speakers Senator Vandenberg in his lengthy speech condemned the lifting of the "moral embargo" and said he "would expect no possibility of good from any expedient flirtation with these world revolutionists."

Vandenberg's speech was even more significant than some of the others in pointing to the real weakness of the opposition to the lend-lease bill in Congress.

The reactionary Michigan Republican made it plain that he accepts most of the President's major premises, and differs only here and there on matters of strategy.

He left the door wide open for jumping on the war bandwagon with the following statement:

"Indeed, if the Axis powers should so tragically misconstrue the attitude of those of us who take this position as being sympathetic with their bloody aims, they have but to defile the hem of Columbia's garment to find all of us irresistibly upon the forward march—including

war itself—to defend democracy in this new world."

Vandenberg then said that he accepted "the thesis that we shall furnish maximum material to Britain and her allies."

He added only an empty qualifying clause that he does "not accept the thesis that we shall veer toward belligerency ourselves, or that we shall threaten the essential nucleus of our own defense."

"I accept the thesis," Vandenberg said, "that we must not subordinate our ordinary routines to the maximum production of defense commodities for ourselves and for the 'arsenal of the democracies.' But I do not accept the thesis that the latter shall take precedence over the former."

"I accept the thesis that when her dollar exchange is exhausted here Britain shall have loans or gifts," Vandenberg continued.

And again he added a meaningless qualifying statement that he did not think this should be done by "one man." Apparently, he indicated, a government board with the same powers would be more satisfactory.

With an "opposition" such as this, it is no wonder that administration leaders feel confident of their success in passing the bill.

MORE WIRES PROTEST THE BRUTAL SENTENCE BY THE U. S. SUPREME COURT AGAINST EARL BROWDER

The Daily Worker prints today more of the telegrams received yesterday protesting the Supreme Court's decision of Monday to send Earl Browder to jail for four years. No sooner had the news flashed over the nation on Monday than wired messages began pouring into the offices of the National Committee of the Communist Party. Yesterday's Daily Worker printed some of the first wires to arrive—wires from all four corners of the country. Printed below are more of the wires to Browder:

NEW YORK CITY

Earl Browder:
The Supreme Court action is a vicious attempt to behead the movement of the American people for peace, freedom and a Socialist America. We workers in New York City, whom you have led and inspired in this tremendous struggle will answer this outrageous act of vengeance on you by intensifying our efforts to build the Party and press and throw all our energies into the fight against the imperialist war and for your freedom.

Executive Committee
Industrial Section, Communist Party

Earl Browder:
American bourgeoisies have unanimously convicted you on trumped up charges. America's youth recognize action as part of the dictatorship and full war participation.

We pledge tireless effort for your complete freedom and 15 new recruits by March first to make more effective our fight.

Crown Heights Division,
Young Communist League.

BROOKLYN

Earl Browder:
We 500 people assembled in Benson Mansion protest the barbaric and inhuman decision of Wall Street lawyers of the Supreme Court. Dear Comrade Browder, we pledge to build your Party and our Party in living testimony to your unquenchable voice.

Peter V. Cacchiola,
Albert Stone

Earl Browder:
Executive Board Branch 5, 31 AD Kings determined to expose your conviction as drive by administration to hasten our country into war. We pledge to answer this attack upon you and our Party by recruiting five new members by May first and by building the Party press, Comrade greetings.

Executive Board,
1112 Flatbush Avenue.

Earl Browder:
Your imprisonment strikes at freedom of American people. We pledge untiring efforts to win your liberty and mobilize successful resistance to imperialist warmakers.

For the Section Committee, 18th Assembly District, Kings.
Robert Ross,
Section Organizer.

Earl Browder:
Abhor Supreme Court decision will redouble our efforts in the press and Party building drive in order to keep America out of war and strengthen the fight for your release.

Kensington Branch,
21st AD, Kings County.

Earl Browder:
We members of YCL in Negro community of Bedford Stuyvesant condemn the frameup against you by the Jim Crow war makers. In the midst of celebrating the anniversary of Lincoln and Douglass we are reminded of the words of Douglass, "Without struggle there can be no progress." We Negro and white young workers will never rest until you, our beloved leader, are set free. We pledge to carry tenfold the struggle for progress in which you have given the people such able leadership.

Bedford Stuyvesant Division,
Young Communist League.

BUFFALO

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 18th.
Earl Browder, 35 E. 12th St.
New York City.

Your conviction by the court is a blow aimed at the well-being and lives of American youth. It is part of Roosevelt war dictatorship drive. The Young Communist League pledges to carry on an unrelenting struggle for your freedom and against the Wall Street war drive.

Young Communist League.

Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 18th,
Earl Browder, 35 E. 12th St.,
New York City.

Your conviction by war-inspired capitalist courts constitutes a major blow against the peace-

loving masses of America. The Erie County Committee of the Communist Party pledges to redouble its efforts to build the Party, mobilize the masses in the struggle for peace and to secure your freedom.

Erie County Communist Party,
Frank Heron, Sec. 2.

CHICAGO

Earl Browder, 35 E. 12th St.,
New York City.

Supreme Court's action upholding the verdict against you, occurring at height of drive to rush enactment of H. R. 1776, stands as a final warning to the American people of the administration's efforts to plunge this country into the spreading slaughter and blot out what is left of the Bill of Rights. Your fearless and brilliant leadership in the fight to have our country get out and stay out of the imperialist war and against Roosevelt's war and fascist policies makes the struggle for your release an inseparable part of all our work. We pledge our utmost efforts for your release and in all our work to building the Party and Daily Worker as the best instrument in the fight against the war and fascism.

Ill. State Committee, C. P.

Earl Browder, 35 E. 12th St.,
New York City.

Condemn Supreme Court decision upholding sentence. Your fight for peace of America continuation of best American revolutionary tradition. Pledge to free America's staunchest revolutionary leader.

Students American History,
Chicago Workers School.

Earl Browder:

With deepest loyalty to you and our Party we pledge renewed effort in behalf struggle against your conviction and all other manifestations imperialist war, drive of American finance capital. Rest assured we shall guarantee victory by routing Party and press among masses, by rapidly building Party membership and influence. Long live Comrade Browder and the Party of Socialism.

Lower West Side Section,
Communist Party, Chicago.

Earl Browder:

We will not rest until you are free.
Section Committee,
9th Congressional District,
(Chicago), C. P.

Earl Browder:

We greet your heroic struggle at head of American working class and pledge ourselves to carry forward your teachings toward peace, democracy and socialism.

Students, Fundamental Principles, Chicago Workers School.

Earl Browder:

Endorse your fight for true Americanism and against imperialist war. Your voice cannot be silenced and your work will continue.

Student,
Workers School, Chicago.

Earl Browder:

We are definitely and solidly behind you, the leader of the working class, against the imperialist war.

Students, Political Economy,
Chicago Workers School.

CICERO, ILL.

Earl Browder:

We express our sympathy to you. Will carry on struggle for your freedom and achieve success despite all efforts of the war mad reactionaries.

Cicero Section,
Illinois Communist Party.

NEW JERSEY

Earl Browder:

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Communist Party, New Jersey.

BILL NORMAN, Secretary.

Rutherford, N. J.

Earl Browder:

Your effective and exemplary leadership in mobilizing the American people against the imperialist war is the reason why the war-



At Time of Conviction:

Earl Browder is greeted by his campaign workers of the 14th Congressional District of Manhattan as he entered Stuyvesant Hall to address them on election night.

Feb. 6, 1940, when he ran for Congress in the special election in that district last year. Browder, who had been on trial and convicted during the campaign period, conducted his campaign while fighting the court case.

mongers fear you and what you represent. We pledge our untiring effort for your freedom and to continue the struggle to keep America free and at peace.

H. MANN, Secretary,
Communist Party,
Bergen County, N. J.

OKLAHOMA

Earl Browder, 35 E. 12th St.,
New York City.

Oklahoma's progressive thousands join us in sharpest condemnation decision of Supreme Court. Roosevelt administration stands convicted of historic crime against telling humanity in railroad, your staunchest fighter against imperialist war. We stand at your side, resolved to intensify hundred fold the struggle against war and privation. We are confident Americans in increasing millions will join us in thundering protest against this latest barbaric conviction by degenerate capitalism in its drive to fascism and war.

ROBERT WOOD,
For State Committee,
Communist Party of Oklahoma.

MISSOURI

Earl Browder, 35 E. 12th St.,
New York City.

In meeting assembled with Mother Bloor all unite in reaffirming devotion to you and faith in our cause and your leadership. We pledge to answer this outrageous attempt to behead the great and growing movement of the workers and farmers of America for peace and socialism by redoubling our efforts to build our Party.

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Your effective and exemplary leadership in mobilizing the American people against the imperialist war is the reason why the war-

ing the face of history are temporary annoyance. Similar creatures tried and hanged John Brown, shot Lincoln. Triumphant spirit of these men marches with you and us for victorious abolition of imperialist war and plunder.

A. W. Berry, Executive Secy.,
Upper Harlem Section, C. P.

CANTON, OHIO

Earl Browder, 35 E. 12th St.,
New York City.

Canton's Communist Party, along with many steel workers and friends, send you heartfelt greetings of solidarity. We condemn the decision of the Supreme Court, agents of the Roosevelt administration and Wall St.

We declare that no person shall be able to take you away from the American working people—the workers and farmers—that you are leading in struggle to get out and stay out of this war.

Your outstanding name and brilliant guidance will, now more than ever, become the instrument of Canton's workers to struggle against the imperialist war and the imperialist war mongers.

Many workers in Canton recognize that this decision was not a mere passport violation, but a repetition of the famous Debs case, during the first imperialist war. And Canton workers have not forgotten the fight made by Debs, like yourself, against that war.

The Communist Party is more determined than ever that your voice will continue to be heard in Canton. The Communist Party, which you have given so much steel and confidence, wholeheartedly pledges that Earl Browder will speak to ever more workers, and that the steel workers of Canton, along with the striking people of the world, will not permit the imperialists to hold you four years in prison. The people will put an end to this war and its makers very soon.

Again, we tender our greetings and love. Salute.

R. A. Reemsnyder,
Stark County Secy., C. P.

VIRGINIA

Earl Browder:

War makers fear your brilliant leadership of American people in urgent desire for peace and continued struggle for the right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Supreme Court used by ruling class to stifle the thundering roar against the Chamberlain dictatorship war machine. Neither war dictatorship nor tyranny will bury the revolutionary tradition of Americans. Your wonderful personality and inspiring work illuminates the road to peace and freedom for the Negro, ill-housed, ill-clothed Negro and white of our land. No matter the difficulties we will carry on and win for we are the people.

Alice Barker,
Virginia State Comm.

CLEVELAND

The action of the Supreme Court in demanding that you go to prison is an act of Wall Street and Washington to silence the voice of the American people opposing the brutal war drive of American imperialism. Your courageous clear fight for the interest of the people must and will be carried to greater masses. The act of Wall Street against you must be turned into an instru-

ment of the people against the common enemy. We pledge to intensify our efforts for your freedom, to mobilize the people for freedom from insecurity, war, persecution and capitalism. We pledge you our firm loyalty and determination that your message and teachings, your steadfast leadership will continue to inspire and mobilize the working class for peace, security and socialism. We will raise the banners of our Party ever higher and build our Party stronger. Prison bars will not silence you from the masses.

Ohio Communist Party,
Yetta Land, State Chairman,
Arnold Johnson, State Secy.

CONNECTICUT

Decision of Supreme Court on Comrade Browder is an outrage on American peace aims of the American people. We pledge to redouble our efforts to reunite people of Connecticut against Roosevelt's war policy to build our Party and to work tirelessly for liberation of Browder and Weiner.

W. Webb and M. Rosen,
Communist Party, Connecticut.

NEW YORK

Earl Browder:

Upon hearing the outrageous action of the black-robed representatives of Wall Street in wreaking vengeance on the outstanding leader of the American peace loving people, we see in this decision the fiendish reincarnation of all the bloody plans of American imperialism. This decision is part of the scheme to silence the voice of the masses led by the Communist Party against the imperialist war.

American history teaches us that this action of the ruling class is a sign of weakness and not strength. We admire your courage and determination that set an example to all of us and we pledge ourselves to carry the people's voice forward to its logical conclusion to victory over imperialist war and reaction.

A GROUP OF STUDENTS.

NEW YORK

Earl Browder:

No court can outlaw or imprison the will to fight for peace and freedom. Class your case in tradition of Dred Scott decision. A Jim Crow war for slavery and empire demand end to liberties. Court attack on you part of plans making Jim Crow official and enforce disfranchisement and national oppression through war dictatorship. Section leadership meeting after decision pledge redoubled activity mobilize people of Harlem in protest build Party and press as people's bulwark.

In prison you shall stand out as tower of strength for our Party and American people, Negro and white. Decrepit judicial gnats

As ever,

SHORTY.

their political dogmas in Washington hope to muzzle the voice of the Communist Party and throw fear into the hearts of all progressive peace-loving Americans.

"Let the American bourgeoisie take heed! No terror can quell the deepest desires of the American people! No imprisonment can halt the forward march of the American Communist Party as the leader in the struggle for the will of the people!"

"Just as Thaelmann embodies the struggle of all German people against Nazism; just as Frederick embodies the struggle of all Latin-Americans against colonial subjugation, so today Earl Browder becomes the embodiment of our struggle against American imperialism, war and fascism."

"Just as Debs, Haywood, Ruthenberg and Mooney were snatched from capitalist jails, so Earl Browder, by the united will of the people, shall be set free."

"Up from the fields and workshops, from the docks and ships—let the cry ring out: FREE EARL BROWDER!"

"Up from the trade unions, from all peace and fraternal organizations—let the demand be raised: FREE EARL BROWDER!"

"Up from the villages, towns and cities, from the entire nation—let the imperialist warmakers hear: FREE EARL BROWDER!"

"The people want Earl Browder free—and the people will have their way! The people want Earl Browder free—and in his own words: 'The fight is just begun. To the people belongs the victory!'"

"In the struggle to free Earl Browder, the Waterfront Section and the maritime workers shall be by the side of the Communist Party and the entire working class organizing, educating and building that organization of which our martyred leader would be proud: A Communist Party which shall lead the American people to peace, security, jobs and Socialism."

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War Cries In the Senate

Who is supposed to be fighting the war-dictator Bill in Congress anyway?

Aside from the lone voice of Congressman Marcantonio of New York City, the latest debates in Congress reveal the grim "national unity" upon which the various representatives of the capitalist class have already agreed.

It is "war unity." No one dares to get up and tell the full truth about the Bill and the war which is raging in Europe. No one dares to tell the full truth about the imperialist origins of this war, and the way to keep America out of it.

What has become of the "short-of-war" argument by which they tried to hide the conquest schemes of HR 1776?

It has been dropped. Now they yell just plain "WAR!" The yell comes from all sides, from so-called "liberals" from the so-called "New Dealers," from the Democrat and Republican leaders with equal vehemence.

The distinction between the war-mongers and the "opposition" becomes smaller all the time. One side hollers for "all-out aid"; the other side retorts by proposing merely a "five billion dollar loan." Both sides accept the imperialist, aggressive, plans of U. S. imperialism. Both sides want America to grab colonies for exploitation in the name of "democracy."

The war cries which resounded in the Senate yesterday from Republican and Roosevelt spokesmen should awaken the nation as to where it is being taken. The most vigorous protests should go to Congressmen and Senators demanding a "No!" vote on HR 1776, the bill which takes America deeper into the war.

The band-wagon for war in Congress proves to Labor the need for an independent Farmer-Labor party.

For the people as a whole, the war cries in the Senate prove that the people's peace movement needs to intensify its demand for our country to get out and stay out of the war.

Striking at Democracy In Education

In moving for the expulsion of Teachers Union Local 5 and two other locals under the fire of the war-dictatorship advocates, the Counts clique in the American Federation of Teachers has lent a further hand to the undermining of all unionism.

The two New York locals which have been put under the executive council ban are the unions whose lists have been demanded by the Rapp-Coudert inquiry. It is a well-recognized fact, embedded in labor history, that the governmental seizure of union lists is a direct move to destroy the unions. It constitutes the beginning of "an open season" for blacklisting.

Furthermore, it is now as clear as day from the maneuvers of the counsel for the Rapp-Coudert committee, that the objective of this "investigation" is the squeezing down of the funds allotted for educational purposes.

The Counts clique, in striking at the three local unions from the rear, is thus doing all in its power to deliver the educational system over to the prey of those who count on making it an appendage to their campaign of war hysteria.

The charge upon which the locals are up for expulsion is a sardonic one indeed. They are charged with activities "detrimental to the development of democracy in education."

This is a provision in the union constitution, inserted out of its progressive origins and designed to prevent the insinuation into the union ranks of such advocates of war terror as the Counts clique are today. It is precisely in aid of the destruction of democracy at which this clique is now laboring.

What is the "offense" of the New York Teachers Union and the two other locals? That they have fought for democracy in education, that they have maintained the democratic rights of the teachers, that they have opposed cuts in the school budget. That is why the two New York locals are under fire from the Rapp-Coudert committee.

This case is not merely a matter of concern for the organized teachers. Precedents are being established which will be employed to demolish all unions. The danger that union lists can be surrendered at the

behest of governmental agencies, unless it is successfully challenged, will open up all unions to persecution.

It is the obligation of union labor, particularly in New York State, to get busy in support of the union teachers, to oppose any discrimination against them, to rally to the prevention of further demands for union lists.

Not Pulling Chestnuts Out of the Fire

In the grabbing and counter-grabbing that is going on in the Balkans and the Near East, one thing stands forth with crystal clarity—the Soviet Union maintains its peace policy and its neutrality.

It is not pulling the chestnuts out of the fire for anybody.

This seems to be the main complaint of the New York Times. In its editorial comments in the latest Balkan developments, the Times bewails the fact that these events "may be taken to indicate that Soviet Russia has once again withheld any promise of support."

Behind these vague phrases and accusations, the Times is merely expressing the chagrin which animates the breasts of the imperialists everywhere. They simply cannot understand why the Soviet Union doesn't stick its hands into their war flames; they can't grasp the fact that the Soviet Union is wise to their tricks, and refuses to get trapped into either side of the Anglo-American-Axis imperialist rivalry.

This calm refusal of the Soviet Union to get trapped—a refusal which is backed up by the formidable power of the Socialist state and its Red Army—the backs of the capitalist press call the "enigma" of Soviet policy.

But the real enigma, the real mystery, is in trying to discover what conceivable benefit the peoples of the world can get from the slaughter taking place on both sides?

The Soviet Union proves how a nation can stay out of the war as the rival imperialist governments spread their war far and wide. This is what the American people admire and study in the actions of the Soviet Union.

Not Easily Daunted

Humanitarians are not easily daunted.

Despite the action of the British government in blacklisting the S.S. Lowenstein, mercy ship chartered to transport Spanish refugees to Mexico, \$75,000 has just been pledged to the American Rescue Ship Mission by Latin-American organizations. At the same time, the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade have visited the British Embassy in Washington requesting that the blacklist decision be reconsidered.

The action of the British government is of a piece with the entire London (and Washington) policy with regard to Spain. When Hitler and Mussolini were pouring in munitions and men to destroy the Loyalist government, London led in preventing arms and ships from reaching the Loyalists.

Now having helped deliver Loyalist Spain into the hands of Franco, the British government is determined that none of his victims shall escape from his clutches.

Dove-tailing with the British blacklisting of the S.S. Lowenstein, was Mrs. Roosevelt's earlier action in attacking the Rescue Ship Mission. London and Washington, it is evident, are still at the game of trying to come to terms with Franco and at the same time of strengthening the forces of reaction in Latin-America.

The Rescue Ship Mission's efforts to have the British blacklist decision reconsidered, should be backed up with appeals to the British representatives here from every American with humanitarian feelings. At the same time, the fund drive of the Mission should receive renewed support in this great work of relieving in some measure the suffering of the Spanish refugees.

A Queer Way to Love the English People

Every one of President Roosevelt's envoys who comes back from England with a briefcase loaded with secret documents takes refuge in the same line of talk. They all "love the British people." Wilkie was running all over with that line. Now comes Harry Hopkins.

We don't believe it. If they loved the British people, they would try to get them out of the hell they are now in. Instead of that, they go over with plans to get the British people deeper and deeper into the pit of war. Between the American and English people there has always been a strong bond of sympathy and friendship. But this bond has never embraced the greedy snobs of the British aristocrats in the government.

If Harry Hopkins and his class loved the British people they would not be remorseless enemies of the People's Convention with its program of protection for Labor, effective air-raid shelters, conscription of wealth, a people's Government fighting for an end of the war and the imperialist system which breeds war.

It is a queer "love" for the British people which rivets their chains of the imperialist system around their necks and drives them into more slaughter. Real love for the British people is proved by support for their People's Convention, the voice of the real England, not the England of bankers and landlords.

Subversive Coffin--A Story in Pictures



To Bury the Ghost of the Dead: Members of Local 16, United Office and Professional Workers, CIO, yesterday planned to bury the ghost of the company union at N. Lowenstein & Sons, 43 Leonard St. The company union was established in 1937 by the National Labor Relations Board. So a funeral march with a hearse and eulogies was arranged. But the police thought otherwise—they'd rather have the stinking corpse around as a blight to the scene unions with. The pictures tell the story: (top) the funeral march, peaceful and orderly; (center) New York cops, like the firm of Lowenstein will not let the dead lie in peace, and stop the peaceful line; and (bottom) the coffin is loaded on a police squad car and taken to headquarters presumably to be reinterred when needed.

—Daily Worker Photos

Letters From Our Readers

WPA Workers Do Skilled Job for Museum

Bronx, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

One of the leading articles of the February "Natural History" magazine is one dealing with a colossal prehistoric animal whose footprint a child could easily make in the sand. I shall not go into detail about this remarkable discovery for that is not the purpose of my letter.

In order to get these footprints into the Museum of Natural History, the scientists needed a crew of skilled men, and the reason for my letter becomes apparent. The entire crew which took part in the excavation was composed of WPA workers from the coast of Texas.

I believe the Daily Worker ought to acquaint our readers with incidents of this type because Washington is trying to use a heavy portion of WPA funds for the army and navy as if they haven't got enough.

Some of this type would give the people courage in seeing the extension of WPA for peacetime work and for scientific and educational projects.

W. K.

Hit Extreme Distortions Of Plain Facts by Press

Chicago, Ill.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I just read your editorial on the Krivitsky suicide and want to compliment you on it. It is positively amazing to see to what extremes the dirty press will go to distort facts in the fantastic and rotten manner which they do. I have been thinking that their own editors and columnists must be positively ashamed of the distortions in the Krivitsky suicide, for certainly they must realize that they are entirely discredited in everything they say on the subject when such a vile attempt is made to entirely alter the truth in the face of such plain facts.

H. C. S.

Waldstein-Lewine-Walton

Boston, Mass.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Steven Van Gilder in the Times Book Review Section, Feb. 11 says "Waldstein" was derived from the word "valentine." Possibly but "valentine" has all the letters of "Walstein," plus three.

Waldstein looks like an anagram of Don Levine with four letters changed so (1) it won't be too obvious and (2) to make it more international or perhaps more German sounding.

"Van Gilder seems to have spilled the beans in all directions."

BOSTON READER.

International Bankers Occupy Seats Of Power in Washington

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Today men of Morgan's U. S. Steel, duPont and General Motors corporations occupy seats of power in the national government. They are there at the special invitation of President Roosevelt who some time ago during his first term uttered these words: "Give me your help not to win votes alone, but to win in this crusade to restore America to its own people." But who is stronger in Washington now, the people who want peace and security or the international bankers who stand to profit by the United States arming to the teeth and meddling in the European war?

A. G. D.

A Suggestion for the Publisher of 'The Soviet Power'

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I have been seeing a large number of people to sell "The Soviet Power" and living in a neighborhood where a rather large number of people read Jewish, I was wondering whether it would be worth while to the publishers to reprint this book in Jewish as I am sure that the response would be good. In view of the importance of the book which is a masterpiece insofar as it can be used to combat the Social Democratic influence that the Jewish people seem especially exposed to.

S. M.

'Easy to Sell'

Cleveland, Ohio.

Editor, Daily Worker:

After reading the Dean of Canterbury's book, "The Soviet Power," I immediately visited some old acquaintances that I haven't seen for years and in a few days sold 27 copies of the book.

I noticed that these books are easy to sell and believe that this book should reach a sale of a million copies.

E. C.

Appreciates Truthful News on Youth—Orders Sub

Chicago, Ill.

Editor, Daily Worker:

There were eighteen of us from the University of Illinois who came to Washington to attend the American Youth Congress. We expected the Jim Crow laws, the housing difficulties, the editorials by the reactionary papers, and the attitude taken by war-mongering Congressmen. We expected all these things so we

British Imperialism Sends a 'Mission' To Latin America

By R. Martinez

(By Intercontinental News)

BOGOTA, Colombia, Feb. 18.—The deluge of propaganda in favor of Great Britain's imperialist war in the United States is apt to cause people to overlook the violent struggle that goes on within the imperialist alignments to grab the choicest booty when the carnage is over. This applies particularly to the struggle that is going on between the imperialist governments of the United States and Great Britain for the complete domination of Latin America, the only undeveloped territory in the world which is not under the complete domination of imperialism.

When the first imperialist war broke out in 1914, England was the outstanding financial power in Latin America. Its holdings were estimated at \$4,963,330,000; United States holdings were estimated at \$1,242,000,000. In 1929, England had increased its holdings by \$908,000,000, while the United States had increased its holdings by \$4,348,494,100, thus becoming the equal of Great Britain in economic might and by far its superior in political influence.

The struggle leading up to United States financial and political ascendancy in Latin America was carried through while both imperialisms were fighting together against German imperialism. In the present war, as in the last, the struggle for the conquest of Latin America, instead of lessening is being intensified; the U. S. plans for conquest are being accelerated; the United States is getting ready not only to achieve complete domination of Latin American economic life, but also actual territorial conquest.

HISTORY REPEATS

The minute war broke out the United States Government set itself the task of forwarding their plans of displacing England from the powerful positions it still has in Latin America in order to establish its own rule. The story of the last war is repeating itself in more ways than one; British and United States imperialism are, for all practical, military purposes, allied for the war against the imperialist "triangle" led by Hitler, while conducting among themselves a fight for the conquest of weak people.

Up to now England has suffered serious defeats on both fronts. On the European front German imperialism has inflicted tremendous defeats. But on the colonial front—in its territorial domain—England has suffered important defeats at the hands of United States imperialism. The British possessions in the Caribbean are British in name only. When the British Government yielded to the United States the right to build naval and air bases on its possessions for 100 years in exchange for the 50 destroyers, these islands became in fact part of the expanding United States empire.

The next step of United States imperialism, as the war deepens the imperialist contradictions, will be in the direction of securing the 1,002,000,000 pounds sterling of British holdings in Latin America. The Secretary Morgenthau listed for the House Foreign Affairs Committee Jan. 15, and for which there is already a campaign afoot.

TORIES FIGHT BACK

The latest and most important defensive action of British imperialism in Latin America has been the visit paid to the countries of South America by a mission headed by the Marquis of Wellington. Beside this prominent Tory, there are in the mission eight outstanding representatives of the great banks and every important branch of British exports—for the Navy, Admiral Sir Cyril Fuller and for the army, Lieut. Col. Sir W. Sinclair.

The activities of the Mission in Colombia reveal how the British imperialists defend their positions because of the British situation in relation to the Panama Canal.

The Wellington Mission had a task in common with the United States Government: to present the war as a war in defense of "civilization, liberty and justice" as Mr. R. H. Rand, the voice of finance capital in the mission, put it. These "things are as dear to us," said Mr. Rand at a banquet given by the Rotary Club of Bogota, "as they are to you. Thus you must agree through necessity with us and with our struggle."

But the mission also had the task of reminding the Latin American ruling classes that the British imperialists would not yield their positions without a fight. In the same speech Mr. Rand challenged in no uncertain terms the self-appointed "right" of the United States to be the sole "protector" of Latin America. Mr. Rand placed the obligations of the British Navy on the same level with those of the United States when dealing with the "protection" of Latin America.

Mr. Rand took for granted that Latin America did not have to worry about its own defense because "it is surrounded by oceans, that have had their peace guaranteed by the British Navy, and in more recent times by the joint action of the fleet of Great Britain and the United States."

Beside this clearcut statement of policy that runs contrary to every U. S. interpretation of the Monroe Doctrine, to the decisions of the Panama and Havana conference, Mr. Rand explained the present commercial policies of Great Britain which do not give up the Latin American market even during the war.

During the five days stay of the Mission, its trade representative looked the market over, held daily conferences with leading Colombian banking, industrial and commercial institutions. The representatives of the Navy and Army held long conferences with the Minister of War. An advertisement, compiled by the Reuters Agency and run in every newspaper in Bogota best illustrates the activities of the Wellington Mission. The ad was of every British banking and export house with agencies in Colombia. In the center of the page there was a large picture of the British fleet with the following legend: "THIS IS THE GUARANTEE THAT YOUR ORDER WILL BE DELIVERED."

The people remained aloof, and at no time during the Mission's visit was there any popular interest shown.

were not disillusioned and the meeting was the success we wanted it to be.

But it felt good to read a paper that wrote the truth about us, so I'm enclosing an order for a subscription.

N. J.

Suggests Effective Way of Introducing 'Daily' to Workers

New York, N. Y.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I have been reading the "Worker" for about five years, and never realized what effect clipping an article out of the paper and showing it to workers would have. The one I'm referring to is Mike Gold's column on the Italian situation. I showed it to a number of Italian workers. They seemed to be amazed reading such a swell column. One of them kept on repeating at the end of each sentence how good the column is. He promised he would buy the Daily Worker.

J. G.

CONSTANT READER



Readers of 'New Masses'
Celebrate the Anniversary
Of Their Own Magazine

By SENDER GARLIN

CAN one imagine Liberty, Colliers or the Saturday Evening Post being honored by 4,500 readers at an anniversary celebration?

Well, the New Masses has held two significant meetings within the past seven weeks: one in honor of the memory of John Reed, a leading spirit of the old Masses; the second last Sunday in celebration of the 30th birthday anniversary of the New Masses.

The meeting at Manhattan Center last Sunday was a unique event. For it revealed once again that while there are millions of Americans who have established the journalistic drug-habit of reading magazines which are two parts advertising and one part distilled poison, it cannot be said that they love these publications. But that the thousands who crowded Manhattan Center on Sunday to celebrate the thirtieth birthday of the New Masses love that "great American institution," as Dr. Harry F. Ward said in a glowing, eloquent speech, there can be no doubt.

This land is covered with the bleached bones of radical publications. But the memory of their achievement remains in the consciousness of those whose spirits were once touched by them. There was the International Socialist Review, a fine proletarian magazine, which included writers like Eugene V. Debs, William D. Haywood, Harrison George and Alexander Trachtenberg. I recently encountered an issue of the summer of 1913. In it I found a vivid, fighting article by William Z. Foster on a convention of the Iron Molders Union. The article was illustrated with a picture of a group of delegates, in the center of which was a man who at the time was known only in left wing labor circles. It was the picture of Tom Mooney which struck my notice. In another issue was the story of Joe Hill's triumphant execution and an appeal to the workers of America to save the life of this brave organizer and poet.

Then, too, there was the old Appeal to Reason which sometimes got out special editions of 3,000,000 on issues which stirred the entire nation. It was in the Appeal to Reason that Debs published some of his greatest articles and in which Upton Sinclair's early work first appeared. Jack London was a frequent contributor. This was a great old "Appeal," with all its reformist confusions along with its military until the editors, during the last war, trimmed their sails by changing the name to "The New Appeal" and claimed exemption from draft service on the ground that the paper was needed to "strengthen the war effort" on behalf of the crusade to make the world safe for democracy.

With magazines like the International Socialist Review I became acquainted retroactively, so to speak, after they had gone out of existence and when the bound copies gave me at a glance the color and atmosphere of the revolutionary movement of the time. But the Masses is something I remember reading ever since 1910, the year, incidentally, in which Mike Gold's impassioned poems, sketches and reviews began to appear.

The U. S. Government placed the Masses editors on trial under the Espionage Act. The first trial ended in a disagreement (I believe that's when Art Young contemptuously fell asleep in the courtroom), and in the second trial Max Eastman, one of the defendants, accused the judge and jury that his views on the war had changed and called attention to the fact that when the band in City Hall Park had played the Star-Spangled Banner he had stood up and "felt and because I knew the boys over there were dying for democracy with smiles on their lips," etc.

The Masses was succeeded by the Liberator and the Liberator in turn by the New Masses which became a weekly in 1934. During these seven years the New Masses has carried on "the great tradition," enriching that tradition with contributions from the pen and brush of some of America's ablest writers and artists.

At the meeting on Sunday Dr. Harry F. Ward, in a speech memorable for its clarity and eloquence, said that he does not always agree with the New Masses, but added that such disagreement calls forth the best in the reader, "for one must bite his teeth into something real and vital." But disagreeing with the "liberal" publications like The Nation and the New Republic was a "nauseating experience" because, as Dr. Ward put it, they have betrayed every liberal principle which they once claimed to represent.

Dr. Ward's characterization of the "liberal" weeklies finds justification in every issue of these publications, for they out-war the warmakers and are constantly bringing reinforcements to the hollow ideological arsenal of a dying class.

In the 30th Anniversary of the New Masses the editors have synthesized the best and most representative of the founders and their continuators. "Distinguished" was the way in which Earl Browder characterized this anniversary issue at the Manhattan Center meeting last Sunday. In this issue one finds represented names which glow with meaning: John Reed, Bob Minor, Art Young, Romain Rolland, Charles Erskine Scott Wood, Bill Gropper, Mike Gold and Henri Barbusse. In the section entitled, "Looking Back" the editors have gathered the distillation of some of the best work of these writers and artists. In the treatment of current issues the editors have marshalled their best talents, and one finds trenchant articles by Theodore Dreiser, D. N. Pitt, Max Yergan, A. B. Magi and Elizabeth Gurley Flynn and an eloquent salutation to the readers by Joseph North on behalf of New Masses editors. In Earl Browder's article, "The American Spirit," a devastating critique of the Roosevelt dictatorship regime, the Communist leader reminds the President of a few facts about our country's history.

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HEALTH ADVICE

The Gland That's Master Of Them All

A very common chemical compound in nature is cholesterol. If there were a microscope powerful enough to show its structure, one would observe that it consists mainly of atoms formed into four rings which are attached to each other.

The most important hormones in the human body all consist of this same "four-ring" structure, except that each has a few different atoms attached to the rings.

During an operation, a surgeon is forced to cut out a boy's testicles and he becomes a eunuch. Because he has no more male sex hormone, which had been produced by the testicles, he doesn't develop the so-called secondary sex characteristics as he grows up. There are a deepening of the voice, a beard, interest in girls, muscular strength, a manly figure, and others. To cure his condition, the doctor furnishes the missing male sex hormone by injecting under his skin the same substance manufactured artificially. Thereupon the young man develops most of the secondary sex characteristics which had been lacking and becomes a real man again.

This male sex hormone is none other than the four connected rings with a few atoms attached in certain positions. The chemist can take the male sex hormone, and change it into the female sex hormone simply by taking away four atoms from one position and adding a single tiny atom to another position. And this hormone can also work wonders in the human body.

However, these few insignificant changes in the structure of the substance bring about enormous differences in its effect on the body. For now, upon injection in certain cases, this marvelous hormone develops womanly characteristics in the patient. In undersexed women, injection of the female sex hormone usually causes development of the breasts and the female curves, increases their desire to have children, increases their sex desire, and reduces any abnormal hair that they may have on their bodies.

By injecting male sex hormone into pregnant animals, some research workers have brought about abortions. Yet doctors can prevent abortions in many cases by injecting a very similar substance, progesterone. This is a male sex hormone with four minor atoms added to the rings in one position. Progesterone is produced in the woman's bodies by the ovaries.

Another hormone that has the same four rings is the life-saving hormone of another gland, the adrenal. People without this hormone die within a short time unless they are treated by artificial substitution with the substance.

Sender Garlin Lectures On Anti-Soviet Scribes At Book Club Tonight

"Poison Pens Against the USSR" will be the subject of a talk which Sender Garlin, Daily Worker columnist, will deliver tonight at Mt. Eden Jewish Center, 18 W. Mt. Eden Ave., for the benefit of the Bronx County members of the University Heights Book Club. He will discuss and refute the writings of Jan Valin, "General Krivitsky," Frieda Ulfrey and Eugene Lyons and friends of the anti-Soviet contingent.

This lecture is the fifth in a series of discussions on current books and plays by the University Heights Book and Play Club.

BEETHOVEN AT IRVING PLACE

Two fine films, "The Children of Maxim Gorky" and "The Life and Loves of Beethoven" is now playing through Thursday at the Irving Place Theatre, Irving Place near 14th St. Coming Friday, "The Mannerheim Line."

In Concert



Sergei Rachmaninoff will play his own Rhapsody on a Theme of Paganini with the Philharmonic-Symphony on Thursday evening, Feb. 27, and Friday afternoon, Feb. 28. John Barbirolli will conduct.

FROM A NEW EXHIBITION



The Portrait of Beethoven reproduced above is included in an exhibition of the work of Enrico Glicenstein, noted sculptor and oil painter, now being shown at the Kleiman Galleries on 57th Street.

Keen Social Satire by Youth Theatre Group

By Ralph Warner

Once upon a time, as in 1924, the Theatre Guild's school opened a snappy little revue at the Garrick Theatre on 35th St. Yes—it was "The Garrick Gaeties." And as the years rolled by many another organization has attempted to duplicate the success of that smart, satiric show. Then came "The Forty-Niners" with its galaxy of Algonquinites. And Dwight Wiman's "Little Show," which appeared in several editions about a decade ago. Finally the depression arrived, and some time passed before the formula for a successful revue could be re-discovered.

Eventually, "Pins and Needles" added the social touch which caught popular fancy three seasons ago. At that time the progressive movement was changed in an attempt to stem the tidal wave of war and fascism and the garment workers of the ILGWU were able to tell this story in popular musical fashion and to win a large audience. They proved, too, that the smart, cynical middle class revue could not hold a candle to an aggressive, zealous workers' show.

Time passed, and those social-democrats who held offices in the garment industry influenced the Labor Stage to such a degree that it has literally withered away, or is to all appearances inactive. Their support of war moves them into direct alignment with the forces they were spoofing in 1933. There really isn't any place for their type of show today.

It began slowly, with an opening number for the company of 14 which promised not too much, for it was just another opening number of songs and dances. Then a sketch followed, a rip-roaring, clever satirization of a Brooklyn Dodger baseball crowd. The pace speeded, with a satire of a Hollywood movie foot-plastering; went into high when youth sang a love song of war in the springtime, and then dashed on through a full hour of socially pointed, artfully designed skills, songs and dances. There was a version of Norman Corwin's famous anti-fascist musical blast "Take a Poem." And a smart blues song "I've Got a Right" and a jitterbug finale.

The audience loved the show. Sylvia Siegler, who is business manager of the show, and Lou Cooper, director and accompanist, told me later that they are overwhelmed by the public demand. In other words, the American Youth Theatre has apparently struck the right chord for 1941. Packed halls greet its shows—for it has several, with new sketches and songs in rehearsal. Next Saturday evening, Feb. 22, it has engaged the little theatre of the Barblizon-Plaza Hotel for a full length revue. Among its plans are the production of a children's opera by Alex North. It is moving into Town Hall with concerts by the American Ballet Singers as well as a joint recital by two of its talented members—Emile Renan, baritone, and Lou Cooper, pianist.

Out of the people the American Youth Theatre is rising. Audiences are searching for a show which will entertain; artists and writers, musicians, scenic artists are looking for work. Theatres are gaping wide for occupancy. If you want my opinion, the American Youth Theatre contains the germ of what may easily be the "Garrick Gaeties" of next season. Keep your eye on it. And don't miss "Ain't It the Truth."

Now, in a little studio on 44th St.

The Story of the Birmingham Police Sergeant and the Little Negro Boy

By Harold Helfer

(In the Birmingham, Ala., Post)

Place: Police Headquarters.
Time: Last Wednesday morning.

A small Negro boy, wearing a nondescript aviation skull cap, sits in a chair behind the counter. Desk Sergt. M. E. Wiseman explains he has been brought in for begging in the street.

The boy says his name is Perry Junior Baker, that he is 11, that he lives at 4233 Second Ave.

"He's telling a lie," says Desk Sergt. B. H. Elland. "White people live there."

"What were you begging for?" asks a reporter.

"I have been trying to get some money to take out some shoes," the boy says.

"He ought to be made to show some respect," says Detective Henry Darnell.

Sergt. H. A. Stapp whacks the boy across the head from behind. Tears sprang to the terrified boy's eyes. He snatches off his cap.

"Sure, I'll see if the alligator is ready," says Desk Sergeant Elland. "You're not the one who has been holding up boys on bicycles, are you?" says Commissioner Connor.

The boy has a toy ramshackle pistol, held together by rubber bands. "No, sir, I ain't never done anything like that," says the boy.

"Wait until Officer Ballard gets here," says Commissioner Connor. "He'll know who he is all right. Boy, what do you want to tell a

Old Favorites On Program of Ballet Theatre

Rotation of principal dancers and special casting—in the time honored repertoire style—features the second week of Ballet Theatre's engagement at the Majestic together with revivals of last season's favorites.

The William Saroyan-Eugene Loring ballet play, "The Great American Goo," Dolin's ballet to the Raymond Scott "Quintet," Boim's "Peter and the Wolf" and Antony Tudor's "Judgment of Paris" and "Dark Elegies" get their first performances of the current season during the coming week. But, in these, as in all the bills of the week, interest centers upon casting so rotated as to give balletomanes a chance to see the principal dancers in different roles.

Tuesday evening saw "Carnaval" with Lucia Chase as Columbine, Leon Danilevich as Harlequin, Edward Cato as Pierrot, Miriam Golden as Esmeralda, Hugh Loring as Florestan and Dimitri Romanoff as Eusebio and Nina Stroganova as Papillon. The new features of this performance were the first appearance of Fernando Alonso as Pantalone and Ballet Theatre's newest ballerina, Katharine Bergava as Chianina.

Tonight "Les Sylphides," Antony Tudor's "Jardin aux Lilas," and "Quintet," Dolin's muscomedy-ballet, will be performed. The Thursday matinee offers Annabelle Lyon in "Giselle" and "Peter and the Wolf" with David Nello in the role of Peter Wolf. Thursday evening repeats "Giselle" and "Peter and the Wolf" (with the same cast) but with "Judgment of Paris."

Friday evening's performance offers "Capriccio" with the original cast, "Swan Lake" and for the first time, Tudor's "Dark Elegies." Mordecai Bauman will sing the "Kinder-erlinder" of Gustav Mahler retitled for this number. Saturday matinee offers "Les Sylphides," "Peter and the Wolf," "Goyescas." The evening performance includes "Goyescas," Dolin's "Pas de Quatre," "Three Virgins and a Devil" and "Quintet," all with their original casts.

Cooper, director and accompanist, told me later that they are overwhelmed by the public demand. In other words, the American Youth Theatre has apparently struck the right chord for 1941. Packed halls greet its shows—for it has several, with new sketches and songs in rehearsal. Next Saturday evening, Feb. 22, it has engaged the little theatre of the Barblizon-Plaza Hotel for a full length revue. Among its plans are the production of a children's opera by Alex North. It is moving into Town Hall with concerts by the American Ballet Singers as well as a joint recital by two of its talented members—Emile Renan, baritone, and Lou Cooper, pianist.

Out of the people the American Youth Theatre is rising. Audiences are searching for a show which will entertain; artists and writers, musicians, scenic artists are looking for work. Theatres are gaping wide for occupancy. If you want my opinion, the American Youth Theatre contains the germ of what may easily be the "Garrick Gaeties" of next season. Keep your eye on it. And don't miss "Ain't It the Truth."

Now, in a little studio on 44th St.

Max Weber's Work Shows Art of Decade

By Oliver F. Mason

Max Weber's exhibition at the Associated American Artists' Gallery is his first comprehensive show in a little over a decade. In 1930, the Museum of Modern Art, a new institution at that time with moderately progressive tendencies, gave Weber a one-man exhibit which established him as the outstanding American artist.

That was ten years ago. The intervening decade was most fruitful in this country's cultural development. Weber grew both as a man and as an artist. He was the first chairman of the American Artists' Congress and thus helped to stimulate the progressive purge among the artists. His work during that period gained in richness and vigor. Wherever his paintings were shown, they drew art lovers to them like magnets.

The current exhibition consists of forty-five oils, all done within the last few years. As a unit the work hung is a summation of what the artist has achieved at the age of sixty.

What is that achievement? First and foremost, Weber has succeeded in absorbing and fusing the rich traditions of many great arts. This is a significant contribution. But in that direction also lies his greatest weakness. He reveals himself as an artist who is too steeped in the past and this is especially true in his treatment of the Jew.

Max Weber, of course, has achieved his finest artistic expression in the portrayal of the Ghetto Jew. But that was in a different era, when the Ghetto Jew was a symbol of racial expression and Weber depicted him in an atmosphere of genuine religious fervor. This has gradually degenerated into "quaintness." Today, in the terrifying reality of new Ghetos, these bearded Jews in archaic dress become sterile caricatures.

A Fit Subject For Today?

I may be all wrong but I am convinced that a Ghetto Jew today is no fit subject for artists, even Adolf Wolf.

'Doctors at Work' Heard Over WJZ at 10:30 P. M.

American Music Festival Program heard over WNYC at 3:05, 4:00, 5:00 and 6:00 P. M. . . . "Back Where I Came From" over WABC at 10:30 P. M. . . . Amateur Night at Harlem over WJZ at 11 P. M. . . . Beethoven's Symphony No. 3 heard on the Symphony Hall program over WQXR at 8:00 P. M.

MORNING
9:00-WJZ-Condensed News
9:05-WJZ-Woman of Tomorrow
9:10-WJZ-Candor Concert Hour
9:15-WJZ-News
9:20-WJZ-Composers Hour
9:25-WJZ-American School of the Air
9:30-WJZ-Condensed News
9:35-WJZ-News
9:40-WJZ-Breakfast News
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MANNERHEIM LINE IN BRONX
The Radio Theatre, Southern Boulevard and Jennings St., has booked "The Mannerheim Line" Soviet film with English commentary, this Friday, Feb. 21, for a limited engagement.

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Joe Gordon Warns Against Counting Out Veteran Yankee Stars Too Soon

Second Sacker Sees Dicky, Crosetti, Rolfe Far from Washed Up—And Is Hardly Ready to Yield to Rookie Priddy Himself Either

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 18 (UP).—There is one group of baseball "old guards" who have no idea of dying, surrendering, or even falling back before the onrush of youngsters who want their jobs.

They are the veterans of the New York Yankees—such men as Dickey, Rolfe, Crosetti and Ruffing—men whose brilliance carried the club to four consecutive world championships before it "collapsed" to third place last year.

My authority for the valor of the Yankee veterans is Joe Gordon, who, while he is only 26 and has been with the Yanks but three years, is one of the veterans who will have to battle for jobs in spring training camp. En route to the Yankee camp in St. Petersburg, Joe stopped here long enough to talk a little baseball and play a little golf with me.

"We're going to have a red-hot spring workout, you can bet on that," Joe said. "Mr. Barrow and Joe McCarthy have brought in all the young talent from the minors, and it is going to be a free-for-all fight for positions. But don't sell us short until the kids prove they can beat us playing baseball. Take Dickey, for example. Bill got off wrong last year and never did get straightened out, but I bet you he'll catch a hundred games and bat over .300. And that Crosetti, I've been alongside him for three years, and he still is the best defensive shortstop in the American League. I roomed with Rolfe last year and I know what gave him a bad year. His tonsils were bad and they bothered his eyes. He used to get up in the morning and could scarcely see. He has had the tonsils out and he'll be all right. And when he's right, where you gonna get a better third baseman? Or one as good?" Joe made it clear that he wasn't



JOE GORDON

knocking the youngsters who were coming up. I asked him about Jerry Priddy, the Kansas City flash who'll be gunning for Joe's second base job, and his sidekick, Phil Rizzuto, the shortstop.

"Great ball players. Both of them. I know Priddy well. I played on a team with him in Los Angeles in 1935, when he was still in high school and I was in U. S. C. He can do everything. He's a great fielder and a good, strong hitter who hits to all fields. I've played against Priddy and Rizzuto in three exhibition games. Rizzuto is red-hot. He's a little cuss, but he's strong and fast."

I asked Joe if he thought he could keep his job at second base. "I won't swear I will, but I'm going to give it a full try. I have never gone to spring training in better shape. All I hope is that the weather will be decent. We had a terrible spring in Florida last year, and even if it sounds like an alibi, that is what cost us our fifth straight pennant. Every man on the club had Charley Horse for the first month of the season. We got off bad and never could make it up."

Did he think the Yanks were a cinch this year? "No. I don't. If we get our share of luck we should win because man for man we have the best team in the league. But it'll be close. Cleveland is bound to be tough, as what club wouldn't be? Give Boston a pitcher or two, and with that power it'll be tough to beat. Greenberg alone makes Detroit tough, and there's another club in the league that is going to surprise you. St. Louis. Yes, the Browns. I think they'll get in the first division."

Breuer, Donald Sign
Signed contracts were recorded yesterday from pitchers Atley Donald and Marvin Breuer bringing the total New York Yankees signed for next season to 21. Donald won eight games while losing three last year and Breuer clicked for an eight and nine record.

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ALL-OHIO SERIES WOULDN'T BE A SURPRISE

NYU Has Edge Over Rams Tonite

Vets Seen Back in Form Against Old Foes in Garden

NYU's veteran team will attempt to hit the comeback path tonight after their poor showing against Notre Dame, when they take on Fordham's red hot sophomore team in the feature game of a Garden twin bill tonight. St. Joseph's of Philly, one of the better teams around, plays St. Johns in the opener.

Despite the bad shooting in the Notre Dame defeat, which was the third of the year against 13 wins, NYU will be favored tonight, and justifiably. Messrs. Auerbach, Kaplowitz, Stevens, Lazar and Davis can't be expected to be off twice in a row for one thing, and for another the Violets always look their keenest in the inter-city tilt. The hottest they have been this year was against Manhattan, whom they routed by some 25 points.

Fordham has won 10 and lost 5 but its lineup of Junior Fitzgerald and sopho Loeffler, Croke, Babich and Savage has been improving all year, and almost upset City in its last time out, losing by one point. It should be a ball game.

REDMEN ANXIOUS TO WIN
St. Johns, out of the tourney running with its fourth defeat last week against Temple, will be out to salvage something from the season by beating St. Joe's, which is a very highly rated outfit. John Gellen is back in the lineup after having missed the Temple game.

Big problem for the Redmen will be stopping Larry Kenney, leading scorer in the Philadelphia district. He has averaged nearly 17 points a game this season.

THE SELECTIONS: NYU and St. Johns.

Line Ups, Numbers For Tonite's Games

FIRST GAME—8:15 P. M.
St. John's Position St. Joseph's
1-Tough E. F. Kennedy-2
2-Gellen E. F. Kennedy-3
3-Barnett E. F. Kennedy-4
4-Walters E. F. Kennedy-5
5-Gardner E. F. Kennedy-6

St. John's Reserves—Edgson (3), Mochetti (4), Gibbons (5), Bear (6), Walsh (11), Levans (14), Milhavan (15), White (16), Hammer (17), Scandura (18).

St. Joseph's Reserves—Loughran (9), Kraft (10), Connelley (12), Buta (13), St. John (14), Kelly (15), Kennedy (16), and Joe Burns.

SECOND GAME
Fordham Position NYU
1-Lear L. F. Loeffler-10
2-Lear L. F. Loeffler-11
3-Davis L. F. Loeffler-12
4-Kaplowitz L. F. Loeffler-13
5-Auerbach L. F. Loeffler-14

Fordham Reserves—Kinnasowski (3), Carroll (7), Lynch (8), Lewis (11), McCork (12), Fineman (13), Sherry (17), Barrett (18), White (19), Fradette (20), Official—Bill Grieve and Sam Schoenfeld.

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Fur Floor Boys 3 1 750
L. W. O. 3 1 750
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Final second half standings for League "A".

One game remains on the League "B" schedule: Floor Boys vs. L.W.O., the winner of which goes into a tie with the Fur Merchants for first place in the second half.



Gus Dorazio, fourteenth straight heavyweight to try unsuccessfully to take the title from Joe Louis, goes down and out in the second round in Philly. A perfectly timed right to the jaw did it.

Tsk, Tsk--Joe's Slipping Again!

Slipping into High Gear of Course—Thinks Punch That K.O'd Dorazio Hardest Ever

"I guess the boys will have to try something else, that crouch isn't bothering Louis any more," commented Jim Braddock, contemptively chewing the end of his cigar as the inert form of Gus Dorazio was carried to his corner in the second round at Philadelphia Monday night.

And those sports writers who have been trying to make out a "Louis is slipping" case will have to try something else, too.

The caliber of the champ's opposition wasn't top-notch, it's true. Dorazio is a second-rate journeyman heavyweight whose chief claim to fame was a victory over Bob Pastor. But the businesslike way the champion put him away, and the power and precision of that startling short right that ended it showed that, far from "slipping," Louis is actually still improving.

"I don't think I ever threw a more perfect right," he admitted himself in the dressing room after the fight. "It was as good as the one I hit Paulino."

It was good enough to send Dorazio, who with all his second-rateness had never been knocked out before, tumbling forward on his face into oblivion for many more than the necessary 10 seconds. When he came to he wanted to know "why they had stopped the fight." He literally never knew what hit him.

A packed house of 15,902 came out to see the champ in action despite the obvious one-sidedness of the match. And they saw what they came to see and went out cheering.

The first round found Dorazio coming out hugging the floor as Arturo Godoy had. Louis bounced a few left jabs and short left hooks downward off the Dorazio head, while Gus rushed in and milled around in close quarters twice without doing too much damage. In the second when he came up with that rush to close quarters he met that flicking Louis left jab head on, and went backwards and almost down. Back came Gus with a high left hook which Louis picked off al-

most imperceptibly with his glove. Then, before Dorazio could get back to his shell, Joe had shot over his perfectly timed short right. It exploded on the right side of Dorazio's jaw and that was the end of that Philadelphia story. The blow had Joe's full 203½ pounds back of it as he pivoted his lithe body to get maximum power. "When they get down on their face they don't get up" is a ring maxim, and Dorazio didn't get up.

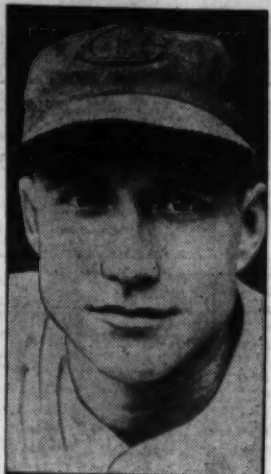
It was the 41st K.O. for Louis out of 49 professional fights and the 12th K.O. in 14 successful and record-breaking title defenses.

He's just slipping. Like the Soviet Union.

Demaree En Route
CHICAGO, Feb. 18 (UP).—Frank Demaree, New York Giants outfielder, leaves today for training camp at Miami, Fla., with his wife and a four-year-old son they adopted from the Evanston, Ill., cradle. The Demarees have no other children.

Champion Reds Strengthened by Gleeson, Pearson; Indians by Peck

League's Best



That's Bucky Walters, of the Reds, of course. The slim right-hander who once played third base for the Phils is settling better and better, and he's already the best pitcher in the National League.

Court Notes

We're a little rushed today. Tell you about the week's luncheon meeting of the basketball writers tomorrow.

Toledo's University's once beaten team, which meets LIU here in two weeks, added to its impressive record Monday night with a 55-28 victory over Xavier of Cincinnati. They're a good possibility for a tourney spot.

The two Big Ten leaders got over a pair of tough hurdles when Indiana beat Ohio State 40-33 at Columbus and Wisconsin just did edge Purdue at Purdue 43-42. Winning on the road shows class in that loop and that's what the Hoosiers and Badgers have.

Duquesne's smoothies knocked off another obstacle to ITS tourney hopes when it licked Loyola of Chicago 32-27.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 18 (UP).
—Heavyweight Champion Joe Louis received \$18,730.70 and Gus Dorazio made \$5,833.44 in their two-round championship fight at Convention Hall last night. Louis received 40 per cent of the \$46,826.47 gate while Dorazio received 12½ per cent. A total of 15,425 paying customers contributed a \$37,199 gross.

THE ROUND UP:

Eyes on Light-Heavies Next; Leslie In Relay Sat'dy; Jurgens Reports OK

By Jack Jules

Because of the towering superiority of Joe Louis over the rest of the top weight opposition fan interest in the fight game must of necessity shift to the lighter classes for the thrill of keen competition.

This Friday night at the Garden there will be a repeat of the close battle Jimmy Webb beat Tommy Tucker in last September. This time there will be more than victory on the line as the winner will be that much nearer to the light-heavy title vacated by Billy Conn in the Pittsburgher's quest of the Detroit Bomber's crown.

Tucker is favored to reverse last fall's verdict as he likes the 15-round route better. In their previous fight Webb cut Tommy's eye early in the second round, then failed away to lead easily on points, but in the last few cantos Tommy came fast, dropping Webb for a count of nine in the final round.

In the semi-final Melio Bettina, the Boston lad that Conn took the title from, will attempt a comeback

Third Straight Aim of Cincinnati, With Pitching Still Tops—Cleveland Has Stuff to Cop in AL, Morale High

By Scorer
From the silvery shores of Lake Erie to the banks of the Ohio a fervent wish rose last September. "Give us an all-Ohio series!" prayed the fans of the old Buckeye state. But fate was not kind. The Indians missed the flag by the whisper of a breeze over Euclid Ave., and there was gloom in the north. In the south carnival reigned, from Fountain Square to the hills.

But that was 1940. This is 1941 and it may be Ohio's great baseball year. The Reds are stronger than ever. Judging from their roster, the day may dawn when Cincinnati will wake on the last day of a World Series—say in 1946—and yawn like any old New Yorker. But the Red partisans are not yet dizzy with success. The chances are far better than even that they will be tossing confetti from the Netherland Plaza rooftop again next October.

PEARSON WILL HELP
Two important new members of the team will aid in bringing the third straight flag to Crosley Field. They are Jimmy Gleeson, long hitter, good outfielder; and Monte Pearson. Monte has always been a midseason invalid. But I have it on good authority that he knows he can't get pains in the shoulder this summer and stay in the big leagues. Result should be a number of fine games by Monte, who has a curve which has not been seen in the National League and which is as good as any in the game.

The rest of the Reds shape up as the same canny, speedy outfit. I like Eddie Joost at shortstop. Eddie is a slick shortstop who should bat at least 40 points better than Billy Meyer did last year. And with Derringer, Walters, McCormick, Goodman, Werber and Lombardi on tap—it's the same old Reds.

As for the Indians fans, they should take heart. Roger Peckinpaugh is the opposite of Ossie Vitt. Quiet, cautious, he will offend none of his players and should give them that freedom which will make them think harder and play better. The few

changes in the team are all to the good. Gee Walker is still a first rate outfielder and will help Jimmy Bagby will add a little weight to the pitching staff. Otherwise the team is sound. It has power. It has the best pitcher in the game and several able co-workers, and I believe it has the spirit, too.

Pennants are not won in February, but dreams of pennants are made in these early weeks of the new season. Ohio fans can dream of a plate which will turn away from thoughts of war next October to a gala baseball holiday. And if the dream comes true, they will be just that much happier.

Not a Preview
This is not a preview of Pearson with his new Cincinnati cap. It's an old picture of him. You see, Monte originally pitched for the other Ohio team, Cleveland. Now he's with Cincinnati, and may find himself opposing the Indians in the World Series. (That is, if the Dodgers and Yanks aren't in it.)

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